

RED CROSS DRIVE NOW UNDERWAY

ALLISON COMMUNITY TURNS IN RED CROSS QUOTA TO BE FIRST IN COUNTY



The Red Cross Is On the Job

Red Cross is the first name heard when disaster strikes. Red Cross is the one organization that can be depended on to speed relief for stricken humanity, regardless of race, color or creed, and no matter where the location may be. That great humanitarian society has a staff ready to rush in response to any appeal with skilled workers and needed supplies.

The American Red Cross is the agency that acts for the whole of our people to give relief at any point where it may be needed. For that the moral and financial support of every citizen. Everyone should be able to wear the button displaying the Red Cross, indicating that he, or she, is a member, and membership should not be held at the minimum fee. It takes lots of money to finance a great program like the Red Cross that must step into hazardous situations and that without delay. This society is one that invites liberality on the part of everyone.

Many appeals for worthy projects are presented with request for funds, but none are of as wide scope and general help as is the Red Cross. See Eighter, page 2, col. 1.

W. A. Hughes Jr. Scout Chairman For District

W. A. Hughes Jr., recently was appointed district chairman of the Boy Scouts and has actively entered upon his duties. The Boy Scout and Cub program will be started actively here soon.

The Scout troop, with Sammy Renshaw and Ralph Wren as scoutmasters, is now at work, and the Cub pack is expected to be started soon.

CUB SCOUTS TO ORGANIZE HERE

All parents of boys eight, nine, and ten years old, who are interested in the Cub Scout movement, are requested to attend with their sons an organizational meeting to be held at DHS auditorium next Tuesday night, March 7. This was announced today by W. A. Hughes, recently appointed District Chairman of the local Scouts, who will present executives from the Fort Worth headquarters of the Lone Star Council, Boy Scouts of America. These gentlemen will explain the program, and will be seen at the meeting. See Scouts, page 7, col. 6.

DBC YOUTH SET REVIVAL DATES

Decatur Baptist College is to hold its student revival the week of March 6-10. Rev. Otis Strickland pastor of the First Baptist Church, Cisco, will bring the messages.

In the morning services Rev. Strickland will center our thoughts on Evangelism. In the evening he will turn our attention to "The Crucified Life."

Everyone is invited and urged to come. The services will be held in the College Auditorium.

The Nose or Eyes, They Run Either Way

The Tom McMurrays have been in and out lately. First a skunk took up abode under the house, and something had to be done. A tear gas bomb was loosed under the house until it was practically impossible to stay indoors without a continuous crying.

So which is the worst? They are still trying to figure it out. Either way, it's close. One way the eyes have it, the other way the nose. But the situation is about cleared up, and hopes for the future are bright, at least 'till another striped animal comes along.

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FOR DEAR OLD PTA!

In All Out Out All In

The PTA membership is going all out, and several are all in too, (the ones who are practicing basket-ball) in the coming event sponsored by the group in which the PTA ladies take on the lady teachers of the school in a court game Thursday night next, March 9th at the high school gym.

Committees are working on ticket sales, others are working on the prizes to be awarded. Too, the husbands of the PTA members will be seen in action. In a preliminary game preceding the ladies encounter. The men haven't been selected, the committee is trying to select a quintet that can last a whole game, or secure two groups one for the first half, and another for the last half, if the game lasts that long.

Regardless of what happens (and no one knows now) we can assure you an evenings excitement at the gym the night of March 9. Tickets will be on sale this week end. Be sure to get yours early.

Len Jordan Enters Race For County Superintendent

After considerable deliberation and on the request of a number of my friends, I have decided to announce my candidacy for the office of County School Superintendent.

At the present time I am principal of the Alvord Independent School District in Alvord, and prior to that time I accepted this position I lived for five years in Denton, Texas. I was reared in Texas, my home formerly being Odessa, Texas, and I hold a B. S. degree from North Texas State College where I majored in Public School Administration and have done all my work on Masters Degree with exception of the Thesis. I expect to complete the Masters in the next few months.

In announcing my candidacy for the Office of County School Superintendent, I do so with the full knowledge that the office belongs to the people, and not to the office holder, and should be operated by the office holder for the common benefit of all the people and not for any particular clerk or individual. I know that the most important thing in the lives of the fathers and mothers of this county is the welfare and education of their children, and I believe that Wise County should be placed and kept on a higher basis for the advantages and opportunities of our school children.

I am heartily in favor of the program for the educational opportunities afforded the veterans and believe that it should have full cooperation and support of our people as a body and particularly the support and cooperation of our county superintendent.

I believe in the Gilmer-Akin bill and am for all it attempts to accomplish the good of the schools. I realize that upon the passage of a new law there are generally always some discrepancies which need to be ironed out with experience, but I believe that the fundamental principals embodied in the law are sound and will try to sponsor and carry on a program of cooperation with the state authorities in an honest effort to see that it's terms are carried out and complied with in Wise County. If I am favored with the office in the coming election.

I believe in the further elevation of the status of teachers and administrators in order to attract the finest people into the School Teaching Profession, and that this Nations well-See Johnson page 7, col. 6



BASKETBALL GAME TOMORROW NIGHT BRINGS SMU GREATS

These men from SMU will be here to play a basketball game with a local team next Friday night March 3. The game is sponsored by the high school athletic department, with proceeds to be used to purchase new football equipment this fall.

Front Row L. to R.—Claude McClennahan, Carl Wallace, Doak Walker, George Lee.

Back Row L. to R.—Rtph Rhames, Bob Folsom, Bob Brewitt, J. D. Lane, Kyle Rote, Dick McKissack.

The increase in ticket sales this week have indicated the growing interest in the basketball games to be played at the high school gym Friday night, March 3rd. The first game will put Decatur High against Chico High at 6:15, and then the

'UNCLE JOHN' CHAMBERS OF ALVORD DIES OF RIFLE WOUNDS

"Uncle John" Chambers of Alvord, about 65 years of age, was found fatally wounded at the home of his son in the Pella community north of Alvord about 1:30 Tuesday afternoon. He had been shot twice in the throat with a 32 calibre Winchester rifle, County Attorney Tom McMurray informs us.

Chambers was rushed to Darwin Clinic, where he died about 6 o'clock Tuesday evening, the body being taken to a Bowie undertaking company.

A man by the name of Whitaker was playing in an adjoining field and had waved to Chambers some thirty minutes previously. He found the body, in front of the house near the gate, and about ten feet from the spot where a large spot of blood was found. Tom informed us. Whitaker did not hear the shots, as he was operating a tractor.

Sheriff Nobles County Attorney and Assistant W. B. Woodruff are still investigating the case.

CIGARETTES UP

Cigarettes went up 1 cent yesterday as the new taxes voted by the legislature went into effect.

FINAL TOTAL OF POLL TAXES 4373

Final tabulation of poll taxes issued gave 4373 as the number issued in Wise county. Next week we will list the boxes and the number of poll taxes paid in each box.

MASCOT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Little Jimmie Vandiver was chosen as Mascot of the Decatur Fire Department at the recent meeting in which election of officers was held.

Curren New Jr. of Abilene visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. Curren New here this week end. He has recently completed his school work at Hardin-Simmons and is now employed by Lone Star Gas Co. He will receive his B. A. degree in Commencement exercises of the University in June.

Mr. and Mrs. George Teper and daughter Marilyn and Jacqueline leave today to make their home in Dallas.

RHOM LIONS CLUB IS FOUNDED MONDAY NIGHT WITH CARL SLAY THE FIRST PRESIDENT

Want to Be a Dad?

TO THE WHOLE CITY?

Should there be a prospective candidate for any of the city offices, four councilmen and the mayor, this week end is the final date for filing names for places on the ballot.

J. L. Bradford, city secretary, tells us it will be too late to file after five o'clock Saturday, March 4th, this Saturday.

The names of Syl Hardwick and Dr. W. T. Inabett and M. L. Cude had been filed with the city secretary for the office of Mayor and Alderman respectively.

Other supposedly in the race (we heard) failed to sign up. Too, the petition reported circulated asking former mayor C. P. Dodson to again be a candidate, is still in the dark as far as we are concerned, those connected with the undertaking having no comment to make upon inquiry.

At the council meeting Monday night, an okay was given to the larger street lights (from 100 watt to 250 watt) from the north to south city limits along the highway, and also the larger lights around all the churches.

A new pump assembly was also ordered as a reserve unit should one of the pumps become disabled this summer.

Man Found Along Railroad Is Identified

The body of a man, about 35 years of age, was found along the railroad track early Monday morning north of the depot. It is thought he fell from the 5:45 freight train which passed through Decatur going north that morning.

The body was identified Tuesday as Arthur Cleo Banks, by his mother Mrs. Ida Thompson of Oklahoma City, through fingerprints on one hand. The body was badly mangled.

A Fort Worth funeral home came Tuesday for the body and we understand it was sent to Oklahoma for burial.

METER INCOME IS GREATER

The income from the parking meters now amounts to around \$80.00 weekly. J. L. Bradford informed us last week. This is an increase over the preceding month, but most all the months since installation show slight increases.

Decatur Clinic laboratory has been listed among laboratories approved for the performance of premarital and prenatal examination by the State Board of Health, according to Geo. W. Cox, M. D. State Health officer.

Mrs. J. H. Morell is seriously ill at her home in Decatur.

AS GROWING PAINS APPROACH

Chico Incorporates

An application signed by a mayor and two commissioners eighty-eight residents of Chico was filed with County Judge Jennings Brown Monday February twenty-seventh, requesting an election to be held for the purpose of determining whether Chico "shall be incorporated as a city under the Commission form of government."

The application further requested that at the same time Messrs. Brooks, Sharp, and Mead, who filed the application on behalf of the signer, indicated that the current oil boom in Chico raised a need for and more better organization of city affairs, especially with regard to civic improvements, than was possible without incorporation.

At a meeting of some 30-odd Rhome businessmen Monday night in the lunchroom of the Rhome school, a Rhome Lions Club was organized with Carl Slay elected the first president.

Other officers chosen include: T. L. Harvey, secretary-treasurer, E. A. Anderson, tail-twister, Barney Wright, Paul Drexell, and Mr. Taylor first second and third vice-presidents respectively, Lion Tamer, Mac McGlochin.

Directors for a two year period chosen were Harold Van Meter and L. Wayne Renshaw. Directors for one year are C. P. Owens and Jess Carpenter.

Next meeting was set for March 13 at the cafeteria at 7:30 in the evening, and the second and fourth Monday nights of the month were selected as meeting dates.

Carl Slay acted as chairman in the open meeting in which the group, including 12 Lions from Decatur, discussed the possibilities and advantages of having a Lions Club in the community. State Secretary Marlow Fisher, District Governor Sam Furr of Olney and Deputy District Governor Atkins of Arlington all spoke briefly concerning the Lions organization, its activities, and its program. Facts necessary in the organization of a new club were given, and questions were asked by the Rhome group. Following the discussion the vote was unanimous for the establishing of a Rhome club, and the election of officers followed. Lion Wendell Rogers, president of the Decatur Club, gave a history of Decatur club activities.

The Decatur Lions Club will be sponsors for the new organization in Rhome and will assist in programs and charter night which is to be held in May.

20 Unit Vet Housing Meets With Delay

The twenty unit Veterans Housing program for Decatur has met with a snag, temporarily it may be, but at present the whole undertaking is at a standstill.

The initial plan was for 20 units of housing in a two and one half block area between the Flushee property and the McDaniel home in southeast Decatur.

Plans had been made, estimates given, but an increase in cost has caused a halt, for the present at least.

It is hoped that the difficulties can be straightened out and the 20 homes built. Decatur can sure use a few more homes. Several local G.I.'s are planning to build individual homes and hope to have construction underway this spring.

SLOAN GOING BACK TO MAIL CARRYING

G. C. Sloan of Greenwood, after a month vacation because of illness, informs us he plans to return to work at carrying the mail about the fifteenth. Mrs. Sloan has been quite ill also from the effects of a broken arm but is recuperating nicely now.

WHAT'S A BARGAIN?

Frequently, it can be the reward of split second judgment exercised by the experienced breeder of cattle, or the connoisseur of antiques or fine paintings, on the basis of his special knowledge of these very special fields. The carefully timed bid, voiced with clarity when a masterpiece is on the block and you are wise enough to recognize it, can send the auctioneer's hammer smashing home with a bargain for you.

But this principle goes to pot when it is good values for your money in terms of every day living, that you seek. Good clothes for the family, furniture for the home, are hardly items you would expect to choose wisely under any system of pressure buying.

Yet something comparable

enters the picture when you take time out to go afield in search of bargains. When time is limited, the opportunity to pick and choose is limited. When dealing with strangers are you sure complaints will be made good? When paying for merchandise bought out of town, do you add in what is cost you to travel?

The best bargains in every day living will be found right here at home in stores managed by neighbors you have known for long, who depend for their livelihood on serving you well; in stores right here at home stocked with the best and most famous goods our country produces, displayed conveniently for you to choose from a leisure, and offered at prices you can't beat anywhere.



2 YOU'D BE SURPRISED

YOU'D BE SURPRISED at the amount of good lots of people do, not for publicity, but with the sincere desire to be helpful of those who really need help and will take advantage of the opportunity offered. This week a man came to Decatur to see his benefactor, a local man who contributed money so the recipient might complete his education. The man has now graduated, is in business, and has made sufficient money to offer to repay the loan. The local individual of course refused the offer, and sat down and cried like a baby. He was happy that his confidence in his fellow man was justified. The money he had contributed had made possible the education and higher level of living, the opportunity of making good. And that the one he helped made a long trip to say thanks and offer to repay the loan was too much for him. The donor is satisfied that the result has been so gratifying, and the recipient is satisfied too, having made good.

Just one of the hundreds of helping hands offered by people of means, mostly known only to the two affected. We'll bet they both feel good for the well founded faith in each other.

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3 We Change Our Opinion

WE HAD occasion recently to become better acquainted with truck operators, drivers of small trucks on up to the operators of the biggest truck-tractor and trailers. Henceforth, our opinion will be much higher of the group as a whole. We usually considered a truck driver another operator, driving those big loaded trucks down the highways, without much thought of anything or anybody, just interested in reaching their destination in the quickest possible time. Since our recent trip however, we have found them to be human after all, and much more considerate than we thought possible. In fact, much more considerate than automobile drivers. In our recent trip to Willis Point from Decatur in a funeral cortege, nine out of ten truck drivers large and small, pulled to the side of the road and stopped, the drivers removed their hats and caps.

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OUR PLATFORM FOR 1950

1. I will work with our local civic organizations to help put Decatur and Wise county "on the map" so to speak.
2. I will work for increased business for Decatur.
3. I will take an active part in making Decatur a better place to live, for myself, and a better business town for the people of the county.
4. I will keep informed on local, state, and national affairs.
5. I will vote in state, local, and national elections.
6. I will attend Sunday School and church.
7. I will be a builder—not a knocker.
8. I will drive carefully at all times.

That was very inconvenient, it takes time to start and stop a big truck, they usually run on schedule and time is precious to them. Many who were in such places that it was impossible to stop or park, tipped or removed their caps. Certainly, many auto drivers did the same, but nothing in comparison to the ratio of truck operators, and there were plenty of them. In the future we will always have greater respect for a truck driver. We appreciated their consideration, as we known others have, and will in the future. They tipped their caps to us, we tip our hats to them.

4 OLD FILES OF THE MESSENGER

The old files of the Messenger contain a complete history of the community from 70 years ago until now. Many times each week we have requests for information concerning something or someone, such events may be recent or a decade ago.

Most recent investigators was C C Bock of Chico, who wanted information concerning a Chico school teacher of 1904, who died and was buried in the Chico cemetery that year. He found the information.

Last fall the files turned up the last date of a Decatur football victory over Nocona after much discussion was had as to the date. Bill McDonald knew the answer tho', he played on the Eagles team that year and lived up to his name of "Wild Bill."

The Messenger is one of the few newspapers of seventy years of age that has a complete file. We plan to photograph the pages and to make the files permanent, as many of the newspapers of fifty years ago are becoming faded and brittle with age.

5 Give Them The Same

"Treat them as they treat us" was the terse comment of Commander Carl Ramsey of V. F. W. Post Number 6521, Bridgeport, in urging that the United States restrict Soviet Diplomats, News Correspondents, etc., in the same manner as our representatives are restricted in Russia and satellite countries.

"Just recently," Commander Ramsey said, "We read that accredited American correspondents left Russia temporarily, only to be refused re-entry when they wished to return. We know that our Diplomats are rigidly restricted in their activities in Russia and the countries it dominates."

"On the other hand, their representatives in their activities, and in to many cases, espionage has been carried on under the cloak of diplomatic immunity. Russian nationals representing Soviet firms and organizations foment racial, religion and class unrest in the United States."

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"Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars can't help wondering why we should be so generous in granting immunity to these agitators and potential saboteurs, when even our accredited ambassador and attaches are hedged about by rigid restrictions and restraints in the Soviet Union and its puppet States. The harsh treatment of our consular staff in China by the Chinese Reds is an example."

"We hold that freedom of speech and of the press stops where that freedom is used to further the overthrow of our Government. We don't object to Russian agents in this country so long as they are on legitimate business and restrict themselves to the transaction of that business."

"But when they abuse our hospitality, and use their status as guests as a means of furthering the communist aim of destroying our democracy and weakening our position as a world power, we demand that they be expelled immediately, and their subsequent re-entry into the United States be prohibited."

"We see no reason why they should be accorded any privileges that are not available to our representatives in Russia."

READ THE ADS



Decatur Lodge No. 447 AF&AM meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday nights at 7:30 o'clock. Visitors and sojourners welcome.

Robert Cartwright, WM.
Jas. W. Smith, Secy.

Home Improvement Food Conservation Program For Wise

"Home Improvement, Garden and Food Conservation" program in Wise County will be spearheaded by a Committee named by O. Ray Brown, County Supervisor of the Farmers Home Administration.

Mrs. Fred Bastian of Paradise is Chairman of the group which will encourage the purchase of adequate garden seed well ahead of planting dates, soil fertility, control of insects by use of insecticides, canning or freezing fruits and vegetables and other conservation techniques as well as providing proper storage for canned food, arranging major pieces of kitchen equipment conveniently and sanitation.

Other Committee Members are Mrs. J. E. Giles, Co-chairman, Bridgeport; Mmes. Harold R. Hartsell, Chico; Herbert Dempsey, Slidell; Thomas Hodges, Alvord; Roy North, Decatur; Mr. J. E. Giles Jr., Bridgeport, and Mr. Fred Bastian, Paradise.

This Committee will serve to increase the scope of supervision that a Supervisor may give. They are given definite responsibilities and information. They will serve more or less as "right-hand man" to the Supervisor in their particular community, give technical advice to neighbor FHA Borrowers and analyze with them the cause for any failures or successes that they have, related to the use of the improved practices recommended.

READ THE ADS

Every day someone meets disaster face to face!



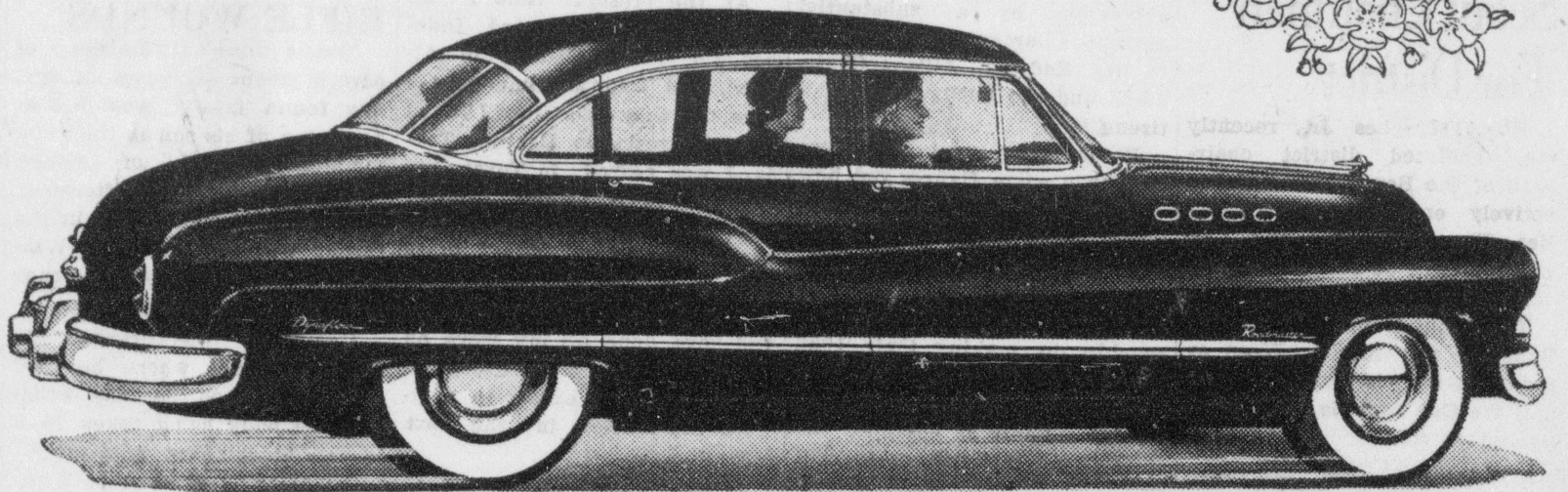
LAST YEAR again tornadoes, floods, fires, hurricanes took their toll! There were hundreds of disasters in all! Horrible? Yes! But almost as fast as disaster struck, your help was on its way through your Red Cross. Emergency and rehabilitation aid for 228,500 persons!

Disaster will strike again this year... and your Red Cross will be needed quickly... desperately! Give... so that your Red Cross can keep on helping!



You, too, can help through
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—and your Buick Dealer



YOU read it on the calendar—and you feel it in the air.

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There are wonderful things for you to look into:

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There are even gay new spring colors to help you meet the season in proper garb. And of course, if you haven't yet done so, there's Dynaflo Drive* for you to meet and sample.

*Standard on ROADMASTER, optional at extra cost on SUPER and SPECIAL models.

Yes, you've a date—right now—to meet spring at your Buick dealer's. A date not only to see pleasant things—but to hear pleasant news as well.

For Buick prices are something to jubilate about too. They start just above the lowest bracket—and they are accompanied by very easy-to-take arrangements as to the "deal."

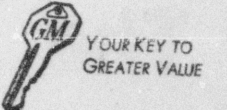
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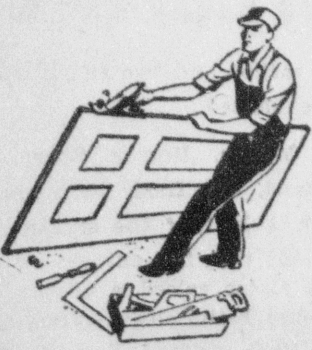
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Service Held For Dan R. Bowden

Dan Roy Bowden, son of Henry and Malinda Bowden, died in a Dallas Hospital Friday January 20th, at three twenty o'clock following several months illness with Lukemia.

Dan as he was known to his many friends and relatives was born in the Lone Star Community of Wise County, January fifth, 1894, and lived in Wise

County until he became a young man and was married to Miss Lea Matley also of the Lone Star Community. One daughter was born to this union, and passed on in infancy. Dan and his wife lived in Wise County until 1924 when they moved to Harlingen, Texas and purchased a fruit and vegetable farm which they operated at the time of his death. He became afflicted with Lukemia about five years ago, and they

had traveled, consulted many Hospitals, Clinics, and Physicians, in the hope of regaining his health. They came to Dallas Hospital several weeks before his death, where he passed on Friday January 20th, at 3:20 p. m. Dan professed faith in his Lord and Master several years ago and lived a good moral honorable christian life, but had not united with any church. He has been a member of the Decatur Masonic Lodge

447, since 1923, and was a true and tried Mason. His father, one sister, and two brothers preceded him in death. He is survived by his wife Mrs. Lea Bowden of Harlingen, his mother Mrs. Henry Bowden of Decatur, four sisters, Mrs. Bessie Neighbors of Alvord, Mrs. Gertrude Taggart of Decatur, Miss Velma Bowden also of Decatur, and Mrs. Leona Col- See Story On Page 10 C. 5



SCRIPTURE: Acts 19:1-20:18; Ephesians 4:17-32
DEVOTIONAL READING: Isaiah 55:6:13.

Base of Operations

Lesson for March 5, 1950

THERE IS NO RULE in the Bible forbidding Christians to have common sense. You are not supposed to lay aside your mind when you become a Christian.

This has had many illustrations: let us take Ephesus for one. Put yourself, in imagination, back to the first Christian century. Ask yourself: Where can we start a church where it will do the most good? Where can we put a church that will spread out, one that is sure to have daughter-churches? Where can we reach people of influence? Where can we locate a church where it is certain to be heard of?

As your eye ranged over a map of the Empire, you would have lighted on Ephesus as the very place. It was a true capital, not a merely political one.

Strategy
IT was a master-stroke, selecting Ephesus as a base of operations. It made possible the rapid spread of the Christian faith into the province of Asia. The decision to plant a church there had been matched by other strategic decisions in Christian history since then. One of these was founding the church in Rome. That was an even greater city and capital than Ephesus, and it has lasted much longer.

If the Christian church had been content to be provincial, all right for the smaller towns but afraid to tackle the big ones, if the early church had feared to seat itself in Rome, the whole history of Europe would have been different. When the Roman Empire crumbled, as in time it did, the church rose on its ruins and took its place as the great civilizer of Europe, the strong force that kept a continent from decay for nearly a thousand years.

Our Ancestors
FROM THE DAYS of the early Roman church there comes a well-known story which may be true. In the slave market at Rome the Pope saw some handsome small boys, whiter than the average Roman, for sale. Who are you? he asked. "Angli," they said—Angles, from far-off marshes along the North Sea. No, smiled the Pope, who was a bit of a punster, you are too good looking for that; "Non Angli sed Angeli," not Angles but Angels.

Anyway, the church did send some missionaries to far-away Anglia and elsewhere in Northern Europe. It turned out to be another strategic base of operations. Eventually France and Germany and England and the other countries in that part of the world were converted to Christianity. The time came when those very nations took the lead in moving into the rest of the world, into the western hemisphere, "down under" to Australia, even into Africa. Where they went, they carried their religion with them.

Suppose the church had not thought our ancestors worth converting? Suppose all the colonizing movements of the 16th and following centuries had been waves of sheer paganism? It is not mere racial pride to say that the sending of missionaries to those savage peoples of northern Europe was one of the most strategic moves ever made by the Christian church.

And Today
THE CHURCH has not always been smart. Sometimes we have missed the boat. There have been strategic centers we might have occupied—and did not.

There was a time, for instance, when Russia, that mighty nation, was open to Christian teaching. Many who knew that country were saying about 1918 that it was possible to capture that land for Christ. But the Christian church was little interested . . . and now whatever Christianity is there has to stay underground.

Farther east, our own General MacArthur has been calling for missionaries to Japan, thousands of them. Japan is wide open to Gospel today as never before. But where are the missionaries? Going over in dribbels.

Whenever Christianity has seen a strategic point and taken it, future generations have been blessed; whenever we miss our chance, future generations will wonder how we could have been so blind.

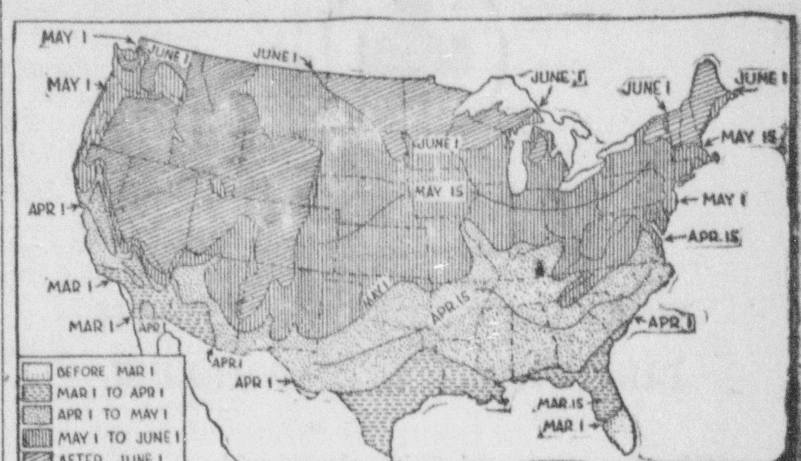
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Affliction is the wholesome soil of virtue, where patience, honor, sweet humility, and calm fortitude take root and strongly flourish.—David Mal- tet.

Prosperity is a great teacher; adversity is a greater. Possession pampares the mind; privation trains and strengthens it.—Hazlett.

How to Win in Garden Gamble with Jack Frost



This U. S. Department of Agriculture Map Shows Dates on Which the Chances of Damage From Frost Are Only One to Ten.

Temperature is the most important limiting factor in all outdoor horticultural activities. Soil can be improved, water can be supplied artificially. But planters are at the mercy of the temperature.

A key-day in the spring, which governs all operations, is the date when in your locality it becomes relatively safe to set out tender plants. In other words, the frost-proof date. This does not mark the beginning of gardening, because seeds of hardy vegetables can be sown as soon as the ground has thawed out and become dry enough to work. This is usually 30 days before the frost-proof date.

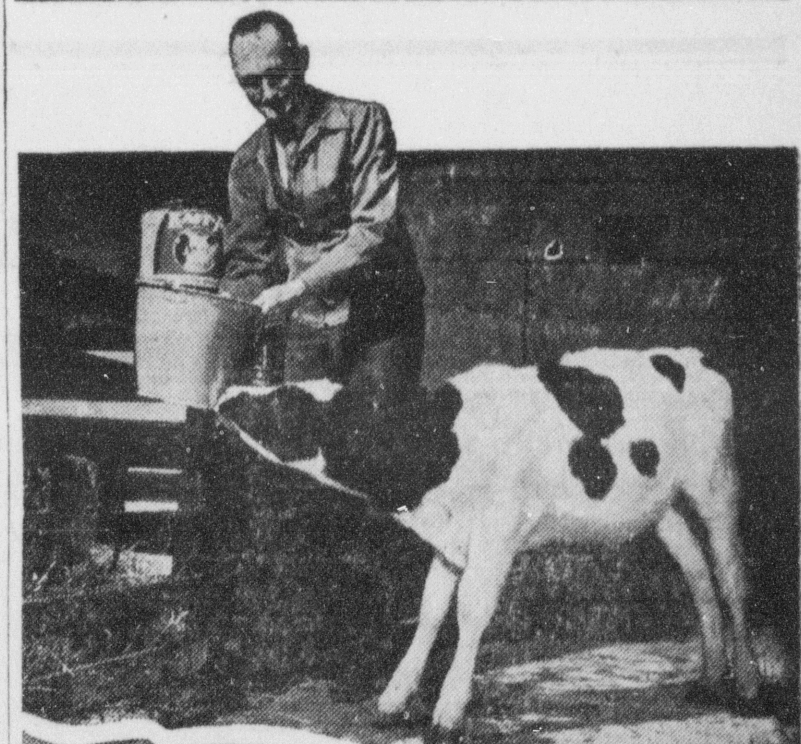
The term frost-proof, moreover, is hardly correct. The weather is too uncertain for that. There is always the chance that in an exceptional year, a frost will occur long after the average time and many tender things will be nipped. But some risk must always be accepted in gardening.

On the basis of long experience, the weather bureau has prepared a map which divides the country into

zones, and established for each zone a date on which the chances are 10 to 1 against a killing frost occurring in the spring. The map accompanies this discussion. Look up your location and talk to your gardening neighbors about their practice, and you will find it easy to decide on the date to accept as safe from frost in your garden.

Of course some years you may win with a long-shot and get a crop from an early planting of a tender crop because of an exceptionally warm spring. If you want to figure the odds against this kind of chance-taking, you may estimate that the risk of losing tender plants is exactly doubled, when they are set out two weeks before the frost-proof date.

There is nothing to be gained, moreover, by taking this risk with plants which have been started indoors, since they may be seriously injured by a hard frost which does not kill them, and always do best when they continue growing without a check.



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10th
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Dr. Newton Had Book Completed Prior to Death

NEW YORK—Shortly after the sudden death last month of Dr. Joseph Fort Newton, pastor of the Church of St. Luke and

the Epiphany in Philadelphia, the Philadelphia BULLETIN began receiving anxious queries from its readers: "Does this mean that the 'Saturday Sermons' column won't be available in book form after all?"

The answer: an emphatic



MONEY CAN'T BUY A LAUGH LIKE THIS... BUT IT HELPS!

The important thing is—the outside world remembers. Your way of saying this is through the Red Cross worker who every day visits military as well as veterans' hospitals throughout the country.

The Red Cross provides the magic that makes the best of medical care even more effective—a friendly face, a pleasant word, a new book to read.

These are little things, yes, but mighty big things, too—especially when you've been in hospital for five years, as many have. Money alone can't buy the cheering effect of a Red Cross worker's visit. But money does help to make this visit possible.

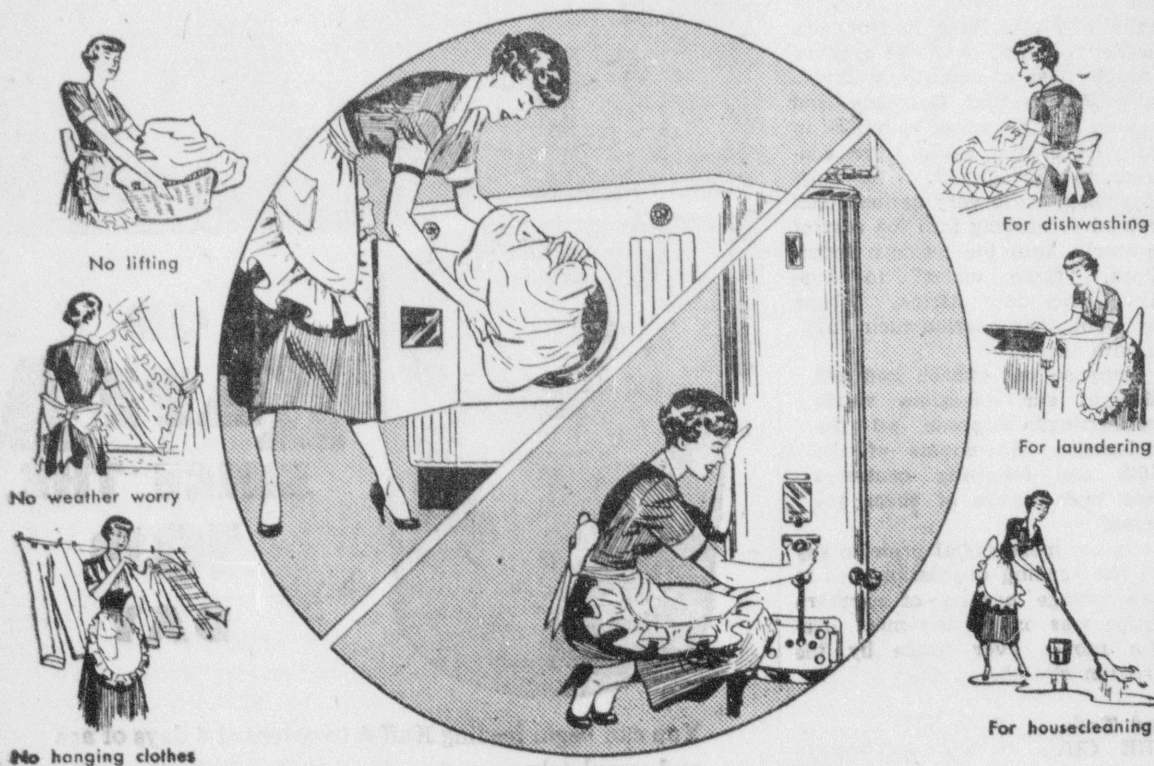
During the next 365 days your Red Cross contribution says, "Thanks for the job you did—I haven't forgotten."

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Adequate, automatic gas hot water service means 140 household tasks completed for you in half the time and with half the effort. New Rudd and Serval automatic gas water heaters are sized for modern needs. They're automatic. They're rust-proof! Tanks of solid monel or copper are guaranteed to give you worry-free, trouble-free hot water service for 10 years. Temperature dials are easy to read, easy to set. Only \$5 down. Three years to pay.

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Farm Topics

Ringold Lady Dora Is Champion Again

Raises Litter of 10 To 447 Pounds Weaned

Ninety-six pigs raised to weaning age is the remarkable new record of America's champion production sow. She is Ringold Lady Dora, a purebred Hampshire owned by Meadowlark Farms, Inc. of Sullivan, Indiana, and the only sow of any breed to qualify for an 8th star in production registry books. The champion chalked up her new record this spring when she raised a litter of 10 pigs, nine of them eligible for registration, to weigh 447 pounds at weaning time, 56 days.

To qualify for production registry, conducted by the purebred associations, a sow must raise a litter of at least eight pigs to a minimum weight of 320 pounds within 56 days. They must be approved breed type, free from fault



Here is Ringold Lady Dora with her litter of 10 pigs which qualified her as an 8-star sow, the only sow having such designation in registry sows of any breed. This litter weighed 447 pounds at 56 days of age. Ringold Lady was fed a ration of corn, oats, pelleted milk products and alfalfa pasture prior to farrowing and during the suckling period.

or defect and at least half of them eligible for registry. The sow gains a star in the production registry books each time she repeats the performance.

The champion has repeated it eight times, raising a total of 81 pigs to weigh a total of 3,183 pounds at the weaning age. Besides her eight litters which qualified for production registry, this sow has raised another 15 pigs in two litters which failed to qualify, or a total of 96 pigs since her first litter was farrowed in September, 1944.

According to U. S. department of agriculture reports, the national average is less than 6.3 pigs per litter raised to weaning age. It would take more than average litters to equal in numbers of pigs raised to weaning age what Ringold Lady Dora raised in her eight qualifying litters.

Worth of her litters was proven recently when her sixth qualifying litter (farrowed February 13, 1949) consisting of seven boars and three gilts, was sold for a total of \$4,365.

Versatile Tool



This "adjusto-blade" tool is a time, space and money saver for the farmer and gardener and can be used at any season of the year. A product of the Coffing hoist company, the tool does the work of a hoe, an angle hoe, an axe, edger, trencher, sickle in summer and a scraper in winter.

The secret of its versatility lies in the adjustable blade which can be fastened securely in a number of positions. The head of the company which makes it, Fred W. Coffing, is the inventor.

The tool is sturdily made throughout, with blade made of heat-treated tool steel to insure extra toughness.

Grain Sorghum Grazing Cuts Farm Feeding Cost

The widespread use of grain sorghum for fall grazing has proved this crop to be one of the best grown for livestock, according to J. T. Graves, Clemson extension livestock specialist.

The grain sorghum gives grazing at a time of year that most other types of grazing are unavailable. It fits in very well between summer pastures and green winter grazing crops.

Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., and held honorary degree from Temple University Coe College, and Tufts College.

EVERYDAY RELIGION is both the title of Dr. Newton's book and the theme of his life for he strongly urged that "Sunday-only religion" was not religion at all, but habit. His final book deals with those everyday problems which demand the application of practical religion: problems of failure and fear, suffering, death, self-control, human relations, and mental balance.

Tests Of Love

By Dr. R. E. Bell

The heart of religion is love. Jesus said that to love God supremely and ones neighbor as himself is the whole duty of man; and Paul said in the 13th chapter of ICor. That without love everything else comes to naught. So, it is important to know whether we love God or not. A lot of times people think they love God, when they are tested they find they were mistaken.

Love is rather severely tested sometimes by the call to sacrifice of God. Peter was perfectly sure of his superior devotion to his Lord; but when his life was endangered, and he was called on to make a great sacrifice for Jesus he denied that he knew Him. He loved himself more than he loved God. The purpose of religion is to cure selfishness, but it seems that most of us are only partially healed. When we have been called on to decide between some selfish indulgence and the service of God, we have too often decided in favor of self.

A supremely selfish person cannot be a Christian. Love is willing to sacrifice for its object, and if we are not willing to sacrifice for the service of God we do not love Him. Do you know what Paul says about the lack of love? "If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let

him be accursed." And Jesus said, "If any man would be my disciple, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." That simply means that we are to say no to self, and yes to Jesus, and if we love Him we will.

Do you know what sent the rich man to hell? He said, "Soul, thou has much goods laid up for many years, take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry." He wasn't a bad man, was he?

All that was the matter with him was, he loved ease and selfish pleasure more than he loved God. He preferred lying in bed Sunday morning to getting up and going to church and Sunday School. When he had to choose between going to a foot ball game and going to prayer meeting, he went to the foot ball game. When his wife had to decide whether she would go to the missionary society or the card party, she went to the card party. They were fine people, but they were not willing to sacrifice for the service of God; and that showed that they didn't love Him. People who do not love God cannot go to heaven. Selfishness is at the bottom of most of our troubles in this life, and if selfish people went to heaven, it wouldn't be much improvement on this world. Our love to God is measured by our willingness to sacrifice for his service. Measured by that standard it would seem that a good many church people do not love God very much.

I haven't said the main things I started out to say in this article, but space is gone, and the other things will have to wait for another article.

DENTON, Texas.—Troy Jervis Underwood of Greenwood and James H. Keith of Decatur will be in the piccolo and violin sections of the North Texas State College Symphony Orchestra which will be presented with outstanding piano student artists of the college during a

Symphony-Concerto tour of Texas cities in February.

Dr. George Morey, regular conductor of the 50-piece Symphony, will direct the purely orchestral numbers, and Dr. Silvio Scionti, internationally-known pianist and teacher, will direct the piano concertos which will feature his students.

Underwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross D. Schleigh, is a freshman music major at NTSC. Keith, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Keith, is a sophomore music major at NTSC.

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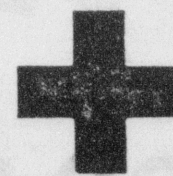
That's what your giving means:

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Your help is always there—through your Red Cross. Know in your heart you sent your share.

Give now and give generously:



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First National Bank

IN DECATUR

Frank Turner, President

FIVE TYPES OF WHITE COLLAR WORKERS EXEMPT IN NEW WAGE

White collar workers in five types of jobs are exempt from the new federal wage and hour law that becomes effective Jan. 25, a labor department official in Dallas said Friday.

The exemptions apply to workers classified in executive, administrative, professional, local retailing or outside salesman jobs, said Lawson A. Wood, Dallas field office supervisor for the wage and hour division of the labor department.

The new law sets up a 75c per hour minimum wage.

Wood said regulations that set out requirements for the exemptions will be available at his office 1114 Commerce Street, next week.

The salary regulations contain new salary tests for exempting three classifications of white collar workers, he said.

Executive employees must make \$55 a week (or \$238.33 a month) to qualify for exemptions, instead of the 1940 test

of \$30 a week. New salary tests for administrative and professional employees will be \$75 a week (or \$325 a month), to replace the 1940 tests of \$200 a month.

With such salary restrictions governing exempted employees, an unscrupulous employer would not be able to give an employee a mere title in the exempted classifications. The employee's salary would have to be well above the new minimum wage, too before he could be exempt from the law's provisions.

Among basic requirements for exemptions, Wood said, are that executive employees perform managerial duties; administrative workers must do office or nonmanual field work of substantial importance in the management or operation of the business; professional employees must perform work requiring advanced knowledge in a field of science or learning,

or creative work in an artistic field.

Local retailing employees, to qualify for exemptions, must make local retail sales of goods or services, or perform work immediately incidental to such sales. Outside salesman must be engaged to sell away from their employer's place of business.

Wood cautioned employers not to decide an employee's exemption on the salary test alone or on job titles.

\$\$\$ SECRET IN CENSUSTAKER QUESTIONING

AUSTIN Texas, Feb. 10.—You don't have to tell the census taker how much money you have made this year.

A new provision has been made to enable citizens to mail the answer to the income question directly to the census director in Washington, John P. Manning, supervisor of the tenth census district, said here

today.

"There has been some controversy as to whether the income question should be asked," Manning said. "This new provision will enable incomes to be kept in strict confidence."

Census enumerators will have a form which is already addressed and stamped. All the citizens will have to do is an-

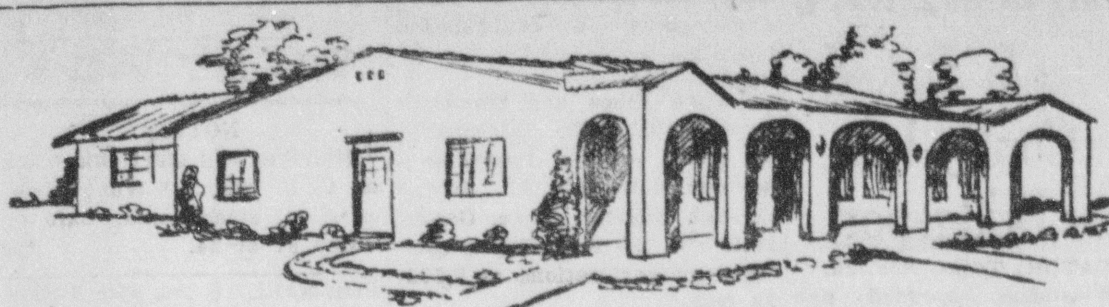
swer the question, seal the form and mail it.

Another new rule for this census will increase the population figures of college and university cities. This rule provides that resident students be counted in the population of the city where they are living and attend school.

Previously students had been counted as residents of their

home towns unless they had established homes in the city where they were attending school.

James W. Stroud of Dallas, area supervisor for Texas, Arkansas and Oklahoma, said here today that there is possibility that Texas' population may show an increase sufficient to give it another member in the U. S. House of Representa-



MIDLAND HALL—Architect's drawing of Midland Hall, a \$50,000 addition to the seven building plant of the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation for Crippled Children. Funds for the new building, a one-story fireproof Spanish-type structure, were donated by seven residents of Midland: Mrs. Ruth Scharbauer, Clarence Scharbauer, Jr., O. C. Harper, Ralph Lowe, R. B. Cowden, John Y. Francis and J. P. Gibbins. Midland Hall will be located adjacent to a new kitchen and dining hall also scheduled to be erected at the Gonzales institution. Midland Hall will be used as a reception, recreation and entertainment center.

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BIRTHS

Born to Messrs. and Mmes:
Albert M. Barclay, son, Teddy Albert, 12-18-49.
Emmitt Beeson, son, Elton Leroy, 12-7-49.
Bill Carlton, son, William David, 12-21-49.
Bill Leslie Cook, daughter, Beverly Gay, 12-3-49.
Thomas E. Davis, daughter, Janice Merlene, 12-18-49.
Joseph R. England, son, Terry Don, 12-21-49.
Billy G. Ferguson, daughter, Teresa Lynn, 11-25-49.
Edward B. Gilliland, son, Bailey Lloyd, 12-21-49.
Harold D. Halloway, son, Bernice Harold, 12-12-49.
Guy Horner Jr., son, Michael Eugene, 11-11-49.
Fred G. Johnson, son, Charles Lee, 12-4-49.
Thomas T. Lumsden, daughter, Jeanette, 9-15-49.
John M. Donald, son, Billy, John, 12-6-49.
James Earl Moyers, son, James Earl, 11-18-49.
Dalton C. Parrish, daughter, Teresa Francis, 12-28-49.
Albert P. Patterson, son, Earnest Dean, 12-3-49.
William T. Pouncey, son, Jerry Lynn, 12-18-49.
Lewis F. Pounds, son, Larry Fred, 12-22-49.
Norton W. Sherman, daughter, Judith Lenora, 12-13-49.
T. C. Stockton, daughter, Sharon Lee, 12-3-49.
Isam F. Thorton, son, Henry Frank, 12-2-49.
B. F. Arnold, son, Jerry Don, 11-12-49.
Lawrence N. Culpepper, daughter, Debra Jean, 12-29-49.
Frederick E. Lott, son, Charlie Leo, 11-30-49.
James H. Oats, son, Mickual Duwain, 11-22-49.
Jasper W. McCullough, son, Bobby Ray, 12-6-49.
Carlton T. Neblett, daughter, Kathryn Dorene, 12-4-49.
Alton R. Robinson, son, Allen Randall, 12-1-49.
Willie W. Taylor, daughter, Mary Ellen, 11-24-49.
Edgar Weiger Jr., son, Marlon Arnold, 11-29-49.
Jay Wiley, daughter, Bobby Jayne, 12-29-49.
Alvin J. Brown, son, 12-18-49.
Elmer M. Thompson, son, Charles Howard, 12-8-49.

Intellectually as well as politically, the direction of all true progress is toward greater freedom, and along an endless succession of ideas.

—Bovee

Extraordinary afflictions are not always the punishment of extraordinary sin, but sometimes the trail of extraordinary graces.—M. Henry.

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NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION

At a meeting of the City Council, held February 6, 1950 at the City Hall, the following resolution was passed. A motion by Alderman Fullingim and seconded by Alderman Renshaw that April 4, 1950 be declared City Election day, for the purpose of electing, to wit:

A Mayor
A City Recorder
1 Alderman for Ward 1
1 Alderman for Ward 2
2 Aldermen for Ward 3
All Candidates for this Election are required by law to list their application with the City Secretary before March 4, 1950, to be eligible for this Election.

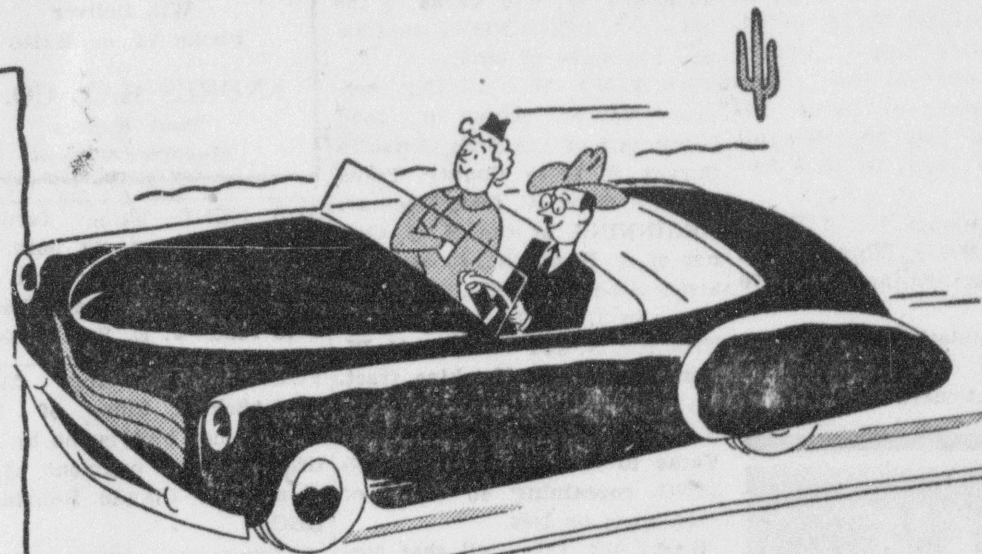
J. L. Bradford
City Secretary

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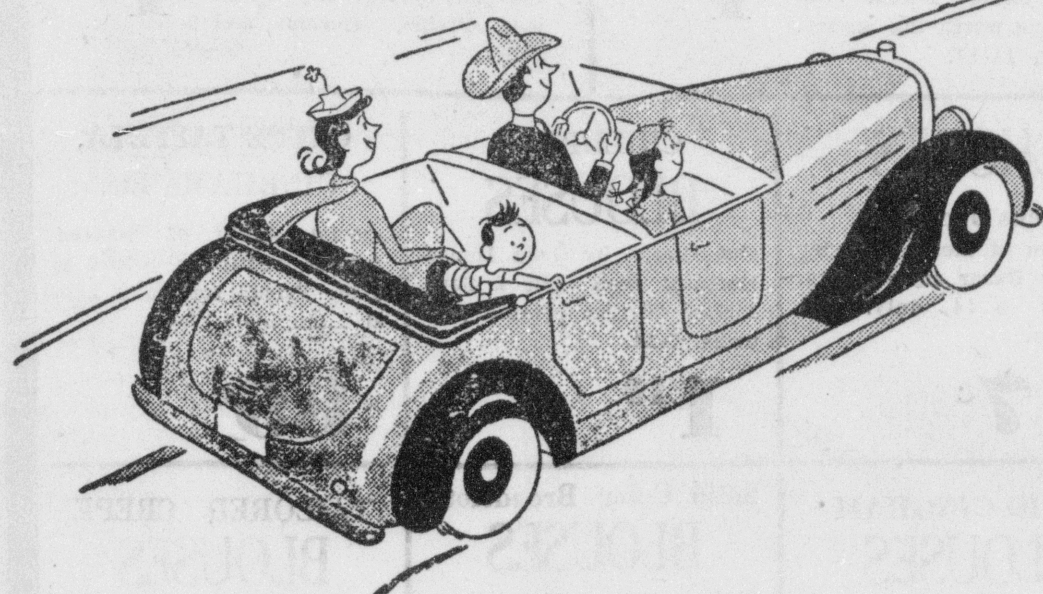
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• Gulf scientists worked hand-in-hand with leading automotive engineers to bring you this great new gasoline—designed to give peak performance in today's powerful new engines! With the new No-Nox, you'll get whisper-smooth power—thrilling pick-up—quick, safe passing—and unexcelled mileage!



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Get Gulf's greatest gasoline—terrific power in every drop!

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Political Announcements

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries.

For Commissioner, Prec. 3:
JIM NIX
BOB CLEVELAND

For Sheriff:
J R BRANCH
D L (DAN) BUCK
RAY (SAGE) NOBLE
reelection
CARL (ROOK) RAMSEY
C. O. (Onan) SHAW
L. C. (Fluff) BIRD

For Justice of the Peace,
Precinct One:
C. M. (CUSH) QUISENBERRY
reelection
IRA MALEY
W. V. CUNNINGHAM

For County Judge:
JENNINGS C BROWN
Reelection

For Tax Assessor-Collector:
J. WALLACE BRADY
reelection
CHARLES R. WILHITE

For State Representative; 42nd
District.
E. H. MEADOWS

For Commissioner
Precinct One & Six:
THURMAN COOK
reelection

For County Clerk:
TOMMIE O'HARA
WOODROW STARNES
Reelection
CLYDE SLIMP

For County Superintendent:
C A NICHOLS
reelection
LEN JORDAN

For District Clerk:
NORMA TAYLOR
Reelection

For County Attorney:
TOM McMURRAY
Reelection
W. A. HUGHES JR.

For County Treasurer:
F. R. MACK
C A MAPLES
J. M. (Melvin) CRISP
BUDDIE GAGE

For Justice of the Peace,
Precinct Five:
HASS TATUM

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Dietrich
and son Gaines visited friends
in Oklahoma City, over the
week end.

Offset Is Staked For Conley 1-A Near Bridgeport

DECATUR, Texas, Feb. 25.—
New wildcat spudded one
mile north of Cottondale Signal
Oil & Gas Company & T. W.
& J. M. Loffland Jr. No. J. I.
Gentry, is a 6000-foot rotary
test, 660 feet from the south
and east lines of block 82,
Matagorda County school lands,
and is drilling below 1,000 feet.
Nine miles southeast of
Bridgeport, another interesting
wildcat, K. W. Kilpatrick No. 1
A. E. Albright in the S. Evitts
survey, A-264, a 5,000-foot
test, is drilling at 1900 feet.
Signal Oil & Gas and Lone
Star Production Company No.
1 C. J. Lamance, a 5,000-foot
wildcat in block 29 T&P sur-
vey, A-842, just west of Ketter
and about five miles southwest
of Boyd, spudded and is drill-
ing below 2400 feet.

Deep Well Oil Company No.
1 M. M. Dean, a wildcat in the
T. Denson survey, A-239, three
miles southeast of Boonesville,
is fishing for casing at 6267
feet.

Cities Service Oil No. 1 J.
Williamson, an important wildcat
in the Falls County School
lands five miles northeast of
Park Springs, is swabbing mud
and drilling water from the
hole at 7006-35 feet.

Leland Sikes and Standard
Fryer No. 1 Conley, in M. Swift
survey, A-739, a wildcat four
miles southeast of Chico, is
shut in for storage after flow-
ing 153 barrels in 16½ hours
through 1/4 choke from perfora-
tion conglomerate at 5672-78
feet.

Jones-Simpson No. A-14,
R. L. Morris, GH&H survey No.
5, A-347, in the Chico area,
perforated the conglomerate at
5480-94 feet with 84 shots.
After it was cleaned out with
acid, it flowed 58 barrels of oil
per day through 20-64 choke
and is still testing.

T. R. Jones No. A-3, R. L.
Morris, in GH&H No. 5, A-374,
ran drill stem test to conglom-
erate at 5214-31 feet and
with tool open two hours re-
covered 480 feet of heavy oil
and gas cut mud. Drilling con-
tinues.

Akin & Jimock No. 1 Willie
Kinsey, in the J. Mora survey,
a wildcat, is drilling at 4650
feet.

With completion of the dis-
covery well, Wise County's
newest conglomerate pay find

four miles southeast of Chico
Friday drew a confirmation
operation.

Leland Sikes and Standard-
Fryer Drilling No. 1-A Conley,
M. Swift survey, turned in a
24-hour flow of 187 barrels
through quarter choke. Gas-oil
ratio was 793 to 1. Pay is com-
ing from perforations at 5,672-
88 feet.

This well is on a Cities Ser-
vice farmout, and that firm has
staked a south offset as its No.
the North and east lines of the
1 M. L. Conley. It is 330 from
lease in the Swift survey.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF MRS. ORA C. HUDSON, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that
letters testamentary of the Es-
tate of Ora C. Hudson, De-
ceased, were granted to me, the
undersigned, on February 11,
1950, by the County Court of
Wise County. All persons hav-
ing claims against said Estate
are hereby required to present
the same to me within the time
prescribed by law.

My residence and place of
address is 1900 W. T. Waggon-
er Building, Fort Worth, Texas.
F. B. Walker
Executor of Estate of Ora C.
Hudson, Deceased.

GUARDIANSHIP NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of a
hearing before the County
Court of Wise County, Texas on
the 13th. day of March 1950 at
the court house of Wise County,
in Decatur on the application
of Earl Hawkins guardian of
the person and estate of Col-
umbia Tennie Hawkins, N. C.
M. for permission to execute a
mineral lease covering the one
half undivided interest of said
ward in and to the following
described lands to wit:

TRACT NO. I: The following
land in Wise County, Texas,
out of the John Coughlin Sur-
vey. BEGINNING at the N. E.
Corner of Jasper Herrall's 60
acre Survey, THENCE S. 831
Varas, THENCE E. 680 Varas,
THENCE N. 831 Varas,
THENCE W. 680 Varas to the
place of BEGINNING, contain-
ing 100 acres of land.
TRACT NO. II: All that cer-
tain tract or parcel of land
being part of the John Coughlin
Survey in Wise County, Texas
about 8 miles W. from Decatur.
BEGINNING at the S. E. Cor-
ner of A. Hawkins 140 acres of
same Survey, THENCE E. 407
Varas to J. W. Hawkins Corner,
THENCE N. 831 Varas to N. W.
Corner of J. W. Hawkins tract,
THENCE W. to A. Hawkins
N. E. Corner, THENCE S. 831
Varas to the place of BEGIN-
NING, containing 40 acres of
land more or less.

TRACT NO. III: All that cer-
tain tract or parcel of land de-
scribed as follows: Being 18
acres out of the John Coughlin
Survey, BEGINNING at the
N. E. Corner of 140 acres for-
merly owned by A. Hawkins out
of the John Coughlin Survey,
THENCE S. 831 Varas to the
S. E. Corner of said 140 acre
tract, THENCE W. 122½ Varas,
a stake is Northern South
Boundary line said 140 acres
THENCE N. 831 Varas, a stake
in North Boundary line of said
140 acres, THENCE E. 122½
Varas the BEGINNING.

Carl Read Is Director of the Census In Wise

Carl Read has been selected
as census supervisor of Wise
county according to an an-
nouncement made Monday by
the district office in Wichita
Falls.

More Want Ads On Page 8

WANT ADS

NOTICE
Building will start this week
on C. O. (Shorty) Webb's frozen
maul stand and Cafe on
hiway 81 at 24. tpc

FOR SALE—5 lots with 4 room
house in need of repairs in
Paradise, across street from
Methodist Church. Lots face
125 feet on street in front and
street in back. Desirable loca-
tion. Price \$1500. See E. O.
Staats 4 miles west of Boyd.

FOR SALE—Oak Dinefle suite.
T. S. McCaleb.

FOR SALE—Modern 5 room
house on west main street. De-
catur. Priced right. Ernest
Richter Phone 4211.

WANTED — Practical Nursing
and baby sitting desired.—Mrs.
Gabe T. Clark.

FOR SALE—3 Deck Chicken
Brooder, \$20.00. 1/4 Air Cooler
for home or business, \$20.00.
A. L. Chesney, Decatur.

FOR SALE Used 1-Case Tractor
2-Row Equipment.—Doye Im-
plement Co.

FOR SALE—Rock house and
35 acres of land on Alvord hi-
way.—Doyle Implement Co.

FOR SALE — Modern house
three rooms and bath, garage
and fenced in back yard. See
J. T. McDonald or call 5474. 2tp

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ANTENNA keeping you from
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FOR RENT—Three furnished
rooms with private bath. Hot
water, electric box, and one
innerspring mattress. Reason-
able rent.—J. E. Smallwood.

FOUND—Class ring, Electra
High School, Class of 1928.
Owner may have same by iden-
tification and payment of cost
of ad. See Claude Robbins at
DBC.

BUTANE GAS RANGES OWN-
ERS—is your burners clogged
up—that is DANGEROUS, bring
them in—have latest CASCO
machine to clean them out—
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price).
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owing to ill health, I will either
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acres located in the north west
city limits. Has a very livable
house for two. Furnished, com-
mode, shower, frigidaire, table
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to make for comfortable living.
have my own well with power
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Saturday and Sunday March 4th
and 5th. Will lease by the year.
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north Trinity street. Mrs. Carl
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NOTICE
Wise County Farm Bureau
has a secretary in the office
every day, and will have some
one else there every Tuesday
and Saturday giving special at-
tention to services provided for
Farm Bureau members.

FOR SALE — Bleached white
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SCOUTS TO MEET AT PARADISE ON MONDAY NIGHT

A Meeting has been called for
7:30 Monday night March 6,
at the Paradise School house,
of all boys aged 11, 12, and
13, and their dads, for the pur-
pose of reorganizing the Para-
dise Boy Scout Troop. It is
hoped that a more active pro-
grams of activities can be estab-
lished at this meeting for Troop
168.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Dietrich
and Gaines were in Oklahoma
City at the zoo when the leop-
ard jumped from it's pit this
week. All visitors were told to
become scarce quickly.

Mr. and Mrs. Eck Curry and
Henry were Decatur visitors
over the week end.

Mrs. Burt Wright passed
away at her home in Dallas
Monday night. Services were
held Wednesday at Sparkman-
Brand Chapel, Rev. William
Dickinson and Dr. Wesley Davis
officiated.

Entertainment was in Restland
Abbey.

Survivors are husband E. R.
Wright, two brothers Emmett
Lyle, Tyler and Joe Lyle, Hous-
ton.

A number of friends from
Decatur attended the funeral.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carter and
Mike visited Mr. and Mrs.
James Singleton at Bryan over
the week end.
Mrs. Bryson Williamson of
Altus, Okla., and Mrs. May Bell
Smith of Memphis, visited Mrs.
B. S. Mousier last week.
Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Patterson
were in Temple on business last
week.



VICTORY BAPTIST IN REVIVAL

Rev. J. W. Walker, of Vernon Texas, but one of
Wise County's preacher boys, will do the preaching.
He is a real preacher of God's Word, and is led of
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Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bryan of Sarah Okla., visited his mother Mrs. Carrie Bryan.
Mrs. R. L. Blankenship visited friends in Denton Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Heathington, Mrs. Ben Williams and Miss Bill Burton were Fort Worth visitors Sunday.
Miss Ava White of Fort Worth visited her mother over the week end.
Ray Forman was here from Plano last week.
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mothes of Seymour visited Miss Emma Mothes Sunday.
Mrs. Gordon Stone of Dallas visited her parents, Mr. and

Mrs. S. H. Taggart first of this week.
Kenneth Burton spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest White in Fort Worth.
Mrs. C. P. Dodson, Mrs. H. M. Mote and son Phillip are visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Horn at Corpus Christi.
Mrs. J. B. Rodgers and children and Miss Pearl Badger of Fort Worth spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Stokes.
Mrs. Max Sandri and baby of Valley Springs, California visited Mr. and Mrs. Ira Maley here last week.

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Wesleyan Guild

The Wesleyan Service Guild held its regular meeting Monday evening at the Methodist Church. The study of Women of Scripture was continued with a general discussion by those present. Mrs. E. B. Harrison introduced Mrs. Roy Carter as guest speaker for the evening; her interesting devotional was taken from the text of Paul's letter to the Philippians. After adjournment, the group met at Miller's Drive Inn for refreshments. Those attending were Mrs. Roy Carter, guest; Mrs. H. R. Fullingim, Mrs. James Renshaw, Mrs. W. D. Craig, Miss Fay Cocanougher, Mrs. E. B. Harrison, Miss Martha Dillard, Mrs. M. E. Pruett, Mrs. J. B. Reeves, Miss Minnie Jo Hornback, Lela Jackson, Mrs. Charles Rann, and Mrs. Wesley Reed.

Mrs. Paul Toland was a guest of Mrs. C. L. McNair at the Music Study Club in Fort Worth last Thursday.

SLIDELL LOSES

Slidell lost the play-off in the basketball tournament in Denton Saturday night by a four point majority.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Mouser, daughter in law and baby from Fort Worth, Clarence Tribble of Rhome, Mrs. Lula Watson, Bessie Smith, Mildred Possie, Donnie Davis and Mrs. Alvie O'Reefe of Longview visited Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Tribble, over the week end. Mr. Tribble, who was injured in a fall while at work last week is reported to be improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Leake announce the birth of a son, Truett Gene, on Tuesday Feb. 14, at Rogers hospital. The infant weighed 8 pounds 10 ounces.

Mrs. Leake was formerly Mary Jo Truett.

Grand parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Truett of Greenwood and Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Leake, of Decatur.

Mrs. Floyd Rowan of Lubbock is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harper.

Mrs. Tom Wright of Dallas visited Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Pearson here this week.



Interesting items from the Messenger
Files 25 and 50 Years Ago

MARCH 25 YEARS AGO

OWL CLUB

Texas Day, was observed by the Owl Club Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Steve A. Lillard Jr.

Mrs. T. G. Rogers who was director of the program spared no pains in carrying out the Texas idea in a very pretty and effective manner presenting the guest on arriving a beautiful "Texas blue bonnet" which the ladies were very becomingly. Mrs. Steve A. Lillard Jr. was voted most popular lady present and was to be crowned queen of Texas Day. She very graciously declined the honor, asking that it might go to Mrs. Mrs. B. A. Man.

The American flag was in evidence among the pretty decorations, on the dining room table was placed a large mirror reflecting a miniature Texas as battle ship. Drawing the Texas flag correctly was a diversion in which all competed. Mrs. Phillip Bates was the successful contestant. The hostess and ladies on the program were attired in Colonial costumes.

The program in which Mmes. Crisp, Man, Bates, Burch, Kenney, Bounds, Misses Naomi Mann, Frances Roberts, participated was very fine and appropriate, all members bearing on Texas artists.

Concluding the program, "Texas Land" was sung by the club.

A delicious plate luncheon was served with tiny American flags given as souvenirs.

R. A. Morrison and Mrs. Myrtle La Flame of Ft. Worth were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Van Meter Friday.

30 YEARS AGO

J. M. Bennet is buying goods in the eastern markets and will be gone about three weeks. Look out for his spring bargains when he returns.

The Red Store has moved into new headquarters in the Hatchery building. Their stock will be enlarged and they will be prepared to serve the people better than ever before.

Coming! The Sheldons Stock Company at the Opera house next week.

The saloons were closed Monday.

Our city gods have turned on the street lights again, which add very much to the appearance of the city. A reduction in the number of useless curs would be a move in the right direction if some lawful means could be found to accomplish the desired effect. A howling pack caught and killed a fine blooded calf belonging to Jno. E. Boyd Saturday. Strange that people will keep a lot of trifling dogs that make night hideous with their unearthly howling to the discomfort of the citizens of the town, especially in view of the great danger of hydrophobia.

Elected Cashier

William A. (Bill) Hutcheson was elected cashier of the Midland National Bank at a meeting of its directors Thursday afternoon. Hutcheson, who has been serving as an assistant cashier, succeeds the late Drew Campbell.

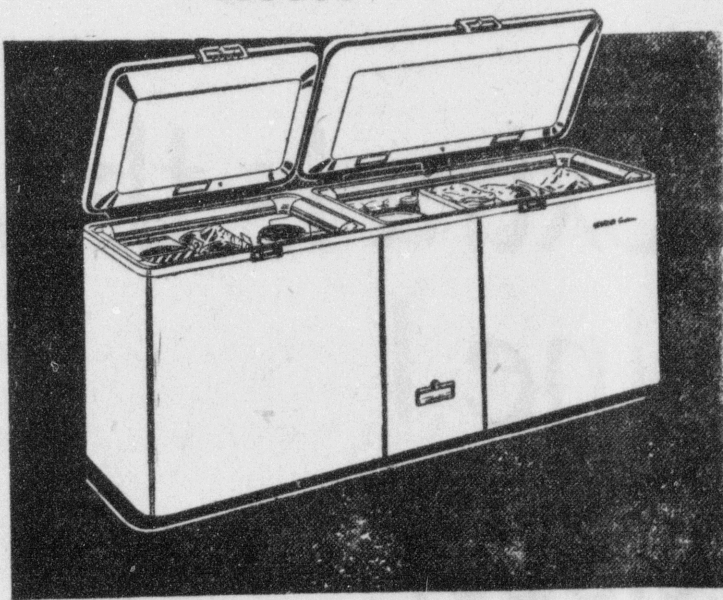
Hutcheson joined the Midland National organization a year ago, coming to this city from Decatur, Texas, where he was connected with First National Bank.

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Johnson from page 1
fare and future depends largely on the intelligent decisions of its citizens. A highly educated citizenry is of paramount importance and entirely essential to meet the challenge which the American way of life and American Democracy faces today.

I believe that the position of County School Superintendent is in line with the work I have trained myself to do, and if the people see fit to favor me with the office I shall attempt to discharge the duties of the office as expertly and economically as possible. I shall appreciate the support which you give me in the coming election.

Len Jordan

Scouts from page 1
plain the Cub program and assist in organizing a Decatur Pack.

"We are informed that Cubbing is the most thriving branch of the Scout movement today," Mr. Hughes further stated. "Certainly its contribution to the building of character and lasting devotion to the highest American ideals is a substantial one. Its program is essentially encouraging and assisting the development of useful and recreational skills, through an organization based on natural, 'neighborhood' groups of boys. Supervision is by the Cubmaster, more advanced Scouts, and the mothers. In fact, the co-operation of parents is vital to the entire program of Cubbing.

"We hope and believe that they will willingly devote a small amount of time periodically to these activities in order to provide this opportunity for the youngsters of this city."

Mmes Jessie Carswell, Stella Plaxco, W. C. Milligan and C. A. Burton visited Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Standley at Cleburne Saturday and attended the opening of the new City National bank. The new and modern building is of shell limestone and brick styled to harmonize with the limestone.

Mr. Stanley is Vice president and director, whenever banking has been mentioned in Cleburne for the past 30 years the name of J. E. Stanley has been among the group of men who have worked and lived to build good banking in that area. Stanley began his banking experience in Decatur his



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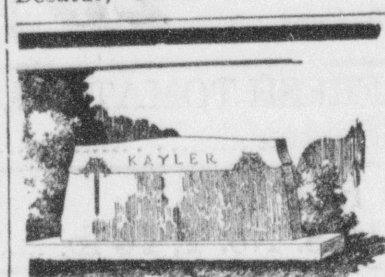
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Cowboys 'n' Indians, captivating items for a safe and wellfed younger set, don't hold any delights for a 79-year-old great grandmother.

Age hasn't dried up her appreciation of the wild west, but personal experience did, and at an early age too.

Mrs. John Robinson of 2810 Colquit of Wichita Falls, Texas was born into the big middle of a long-standing fuss between Northwest Texas settlers and the Indians who had been pushed on a reservation and didn't like it.

That was in 1871 and by the time she was old enough to remember, she had been shuffled from cabin to cabin as the pioneers banded together to fight off each redskin raid. Decatur, her home, then was an outpost of civilization.

One of her earliest recollections is making her way with a Mrs. Jane Wallace to stay with a Mrs. Blewett while R. T. Rieger, her father and county judge, went off to intercept the Indians. On that occasion Mrs. Robinson's elder sister, Sarah, took a crying spell. Mrs. Wallace, afraid for the safety of the youngsters, stuffed the girl's mouth with a towel.

It was an effective remedy and one Mrs. Robinson thinks might find its place in today's scheme of things.

Winchester by Bed

Later Mrs. Robinson can remember her father sleeping under the Paradise trees in their yard, his Winchester slung in its scabbard by the foot of his bed. The Rieger home was four miles north of Decatur.

Last week the Wichita Falls residents celebrated her 79th birthday. She hadn't any good advice to offer, but she said that her's has been a good life. "People that don't run around this world are happiest," she commented, and she can pretty well illustrate her point. There isn't much she and her husband, almost a mere 82 years old, don't have that they want.

"We could have a lot of money but we're to old to spend it," said she. "Our family is better than a big bank account." The Robinsons have five children. 14 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She keeps a record book on all members of the family.

Robinson was born in Alabama, but he came to Texas 80 years ago in an ox wagon, virtually qualifying him as a native son. He met his wife-to-be in Decatur, when she was introduced by a mutual acquaintance.

The mutual acquaintance was Robinson's girl friend at the time, and probably she regretted the introduction. Two years later the couple was married and settled down on a farm a half mile from where she had been born. That was 62 years ago—May 1, 1888.

They lived there until their family was grown then moved Wichita Falls 23 years ago. Their present home cost \$200, but Robinson believes they could have got it for \$100 had they waited another six months when the depression was at its worst.

It wasn't until the Robinson's located in Wichita Falls that the missus made her first trip out of state. Then she visited Frederick, Okla., and later Lawton.

The Robinson's don't get around much, anymore, although both look surprisingly young, but that doesn't bother them.

"When you find a place you like," said Mrs. Robinson, "the best thing to do is stay in it."

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WINGS OVER DECATUR By A. Long Happy Landings

Mr. H. N. Hale of Fort Worth with Mr. Spencer, engineer of the C. A. A. on an inspection trip. Stinson 150.

Mr. Dallas Thompson and Mr. Hale of Fort Worth on a training flight. Cub J3.

Mr. Hugh B. Williams of Dallas and his repair man, flew in just 30 miles after being called to repair a machine working on the telephone lines. The machine is manufactured by the Huga B. Williams Co.

Mr. E. Williamson of Flagstaff, Ariz. returned for the week end. Piper Fanely Cruiser.

Mr. R. D. Kent and Cick Holley, Fort Worth on traing flight. Cub J3.

Mr. D. W. Riddle and R. B. McKinley of Fort Worth, just dropped in for a visit. Luscomb 8-A.

Decatur Airport has a large wind T. received from Fort Worth last week. That will be repainted and installed soon. This type is one of the best and large enough to be seen a long ways, and can be equiped with lights.

New Well Spuds In; Other Wells In County Drill

Cities Service Oil Company No. 1 M. L. Conley, is a location 2225 feet from the west end 2391 feet from north line of M. Swift survey, abstract 739 in Wise County. A 6,000-foot test, the well is 660 feet south of the Leland Fikes-Standard Fryer No. 1 Conley, recent completion as a wildcat in the conglomerate at 5672-88 feet with an initial flow of 187 barrels per day through 1/4 choke on tubing. Both locations are four miles southeast of Chico.

Winers in extemporaneous speaking and oratory at the AOC meet in Abilene recently are pictured with their coach, Fred E. Short Jr., of Amarillo. The girls, students at Mary Hardin-Baylor college, are Chris Taylor of Decatur, extemporaneous speech winner, left, and Helen Holmes of Lafayette, La., oratory winner, right.

SHOTS The Expert By Richard Hill Wilkinson

NO ONE had much faith in the new sheriff. The night preceding the day of his arrival the ranchers of the Roaring River Valley held a meeting in the Paradise Saloon. Mark Raoul, largest cattle owner in the vicinity, was the spokesman.

"No use in expectin' results from this young deputy they're sending up from the county seat. He's a westerner with eastern ideas an' a college education. Probably got a head full of new fangled notions on how to run down a bunch of Arizona cattle rustlers. Thing for us to do is organize a vigilante group on our own, and wipe them there cattle thieves off the face of the map."

"How we gonna do that," Rex Rupert wanted to know, "when we ain't got a notion where the rustlers is takin' our cattle?"

"We got as good a notion," Mark shot at him, "as any smart young deputy sheriff what aint dry behind the ears yet."

Vic Stuart, redheaded, freckled, blue-eyed and friendly, arrived the next morning and announced himself to be the new deputy assigned to the Roaring River Valley cattle rustling business. Rex Rupert, self-appointed committee of welcome, looked the youth over and decided the ranchers had been smart in postponing their vigilante organization. But Rex betrayed none of the confidence he felt when he explained the circumstances.

Vic listened and smiled and his blue eyes crinkled at the corners. "Natural," he said, "for Raoul to feel that way. Fact is I have got some new fangled ideas. It takes brains to beat a bunch of outlaws these days, whether they're stealing cattle or operating a racket."

Rex's thoughts were rather glum as he rode back to the ranch. He felt almost sure, now, that the new deputy would fail.

About midday of the next day Vic Stuart rode in just as Rex finished his lunch.

"How many armed men can you provide me?" the youth asked shortly.

Vic Stuart led them to a section of country familiar to them all; the hopes that Rex had entertained began to ebb. Then suddenly they burst out anew as Vic entered a narrow canyon, the existence of



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Rex stared. "You ain't found the rustlers' roost?"

"That was easy. Thing to do now is scare up enough men to take care of the rustlers, who are at the present moment engaged in branding your stolen cattle."

which was a surprise to everyone. A moment later he pointed down into a hidden valley where stood a couple of rough shacks and an astonishingly large herd of cattle.

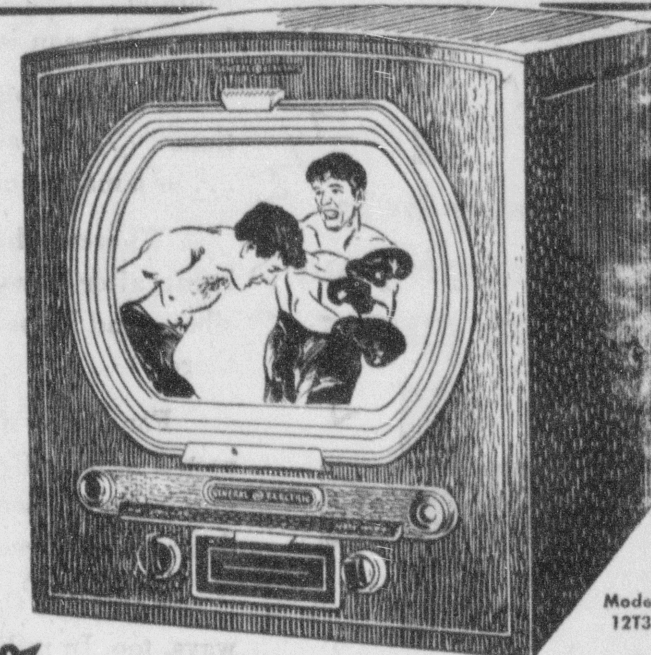
REX asked no question, but directed his men into a fan-shaped line, then ordered them to move down the slope. The rustlers were taken by surprise. They had no idea as to the size of the attacking force, and after a desultory attempt to fight off the invaders, the main body broke and fled.

The big surprise of the affair occurred when Vic Stuart rode up with the masked leader of the rustlers and, standing before Rex and his riders, tore off the leader's mask, revealing the snarling features of Mark Raoul.

"Matter of brains," Vic grinned. "Funny thing it didn't occur to any of you hombres who've lived in this country all your lives that even a bunch of rustlers couldn't camp where there wasn't water. Only water hereabouts is the Roaring River. That was the theory I went on. I got myself a forked hazel stick and used it to locate water and to indicate the direction of the source. Forked hazel sticks never fail to indicate the presence of water if held properly in the hands of an expert." His blue eyes crinkled. "I reckon I'm an expert."

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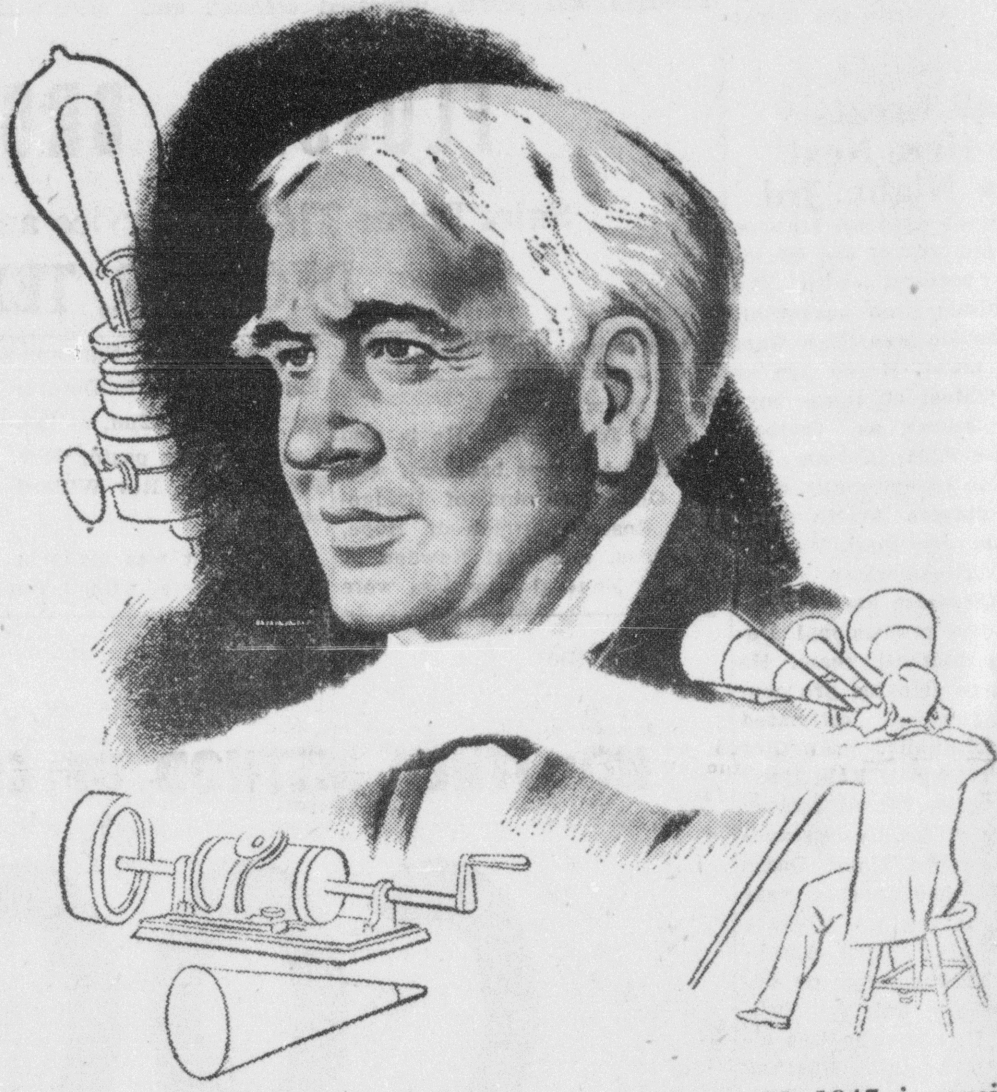
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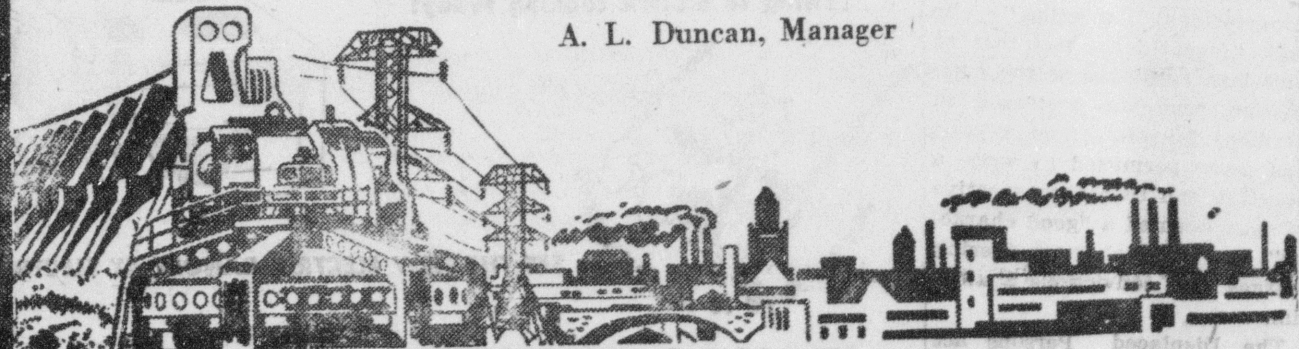
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Plant Black Walnut Trees In This Area

The wood of the black walnut tree has long been a favorite of the furniture manufacturer, the gunstock makers and the interior finishers, but today it is becoming a scarce item. Looking to the future, says Mrs. Billye D. Freeland, County Home Dem. Agent, the growing of walnut trees around the homestead could prove profitable.

The native black walnut tree will provide shade, nuts and wood and can be used to replace less valuable shade trees.

She says the more desirable walnut varieties, such as the Thomas and English, can be budded or grafted on the native black walnut trees. Rough land unsuited for crop production, she believes, could be made more attractive and profitable if it were used to produce walnut timber.

The black walnut is well

adapted in all sections of the state. It thrives under irrigation in West Texas and will grow slowly in areas of 15 to 18 inches of rainfall per year. It does best on deep, rich, moist soil but will thrive in other soils if fertilizer and moisture are supplied.

Black walnut seed planted in the late winter or early spring usually comes up in the summer if given good care. This means plenty of moisture and drainage. She says they should be covered with a mulch to help

hold soil moisture and protect them. Deep planting will delay or prevent growth. Good drainage helps prevent rotting of the young plants and plenty of sunshine helps to control powdery mildew and leaf disease.

The nuts may be planted in a corner of the vegetable garden, in a seed bed, in the spot where they are to grow or may be started in pots or cans. They should be transplanted when small for their big root system makes them difficult to move.

If pots or cans are used, holes should be punched in the bottom for drainage. Put an inch of gravel in the bottom and fill with loam or sand and keep the soil in the pot or can moist. When the roots begin to grow out of the bottom, they should be transplanted. Growth will not be retarded, she says if the soil in the can is taken out in one piece. Fertilize and water the young trees and give them protection from animals and fire.

When planting the nuts where the tree is to be left, use at least two nuts for each planting. When they are up and growing, the extras can be moved to another spot. She says since the walnut makes a large tree, they should be planted 30 to 40 feet from buildings.

Mrs. Freeland says that black walnut seed can be obtained from The Texas Forest Service, College Station, Texas for a small charge - to take care of mailing and handling. If you are interested, she suggests that you write the Texas Forest Service.

Football Greats To Be Here Next Friday Night, 3rd.

Some of the greatest athletes to ever come out of the Southwest, will perform with the Dallas Athletic Club basketball team in the Decatur High Gym on Friday night, March 3rd at 8:00 p. m. Most of these boys are better known as football stars on the S. M. U. team, but they are also exceptionally good basketball players. Among those on the team are Doak Walker, three-time All-American back for S. M. U. whose draft rights belong to the professional Detroit Lions football team. He is expected to sign his pro contract soon for an estimated \$20,000 annually. Another great on the team is Kyle Rote who was voted "Southwesterner of the year" for his outstanding work against Notre Dame last fall. He has another year at SMU Rote was an all-state cagemen in high school. Another former Mustang star on the squad is Bobby Folsom, brilliant S. M. U. end, who was also co-captain of the Mustang football team last fall. Dick McKissack muscled fullback for S. M. U. last fall is still another on the squad. The captain of last years S. M. U. basketball team is also on the team along with several other top-notch basketball players from the Southwest.

These boys have been playing 3 to 5 nights a week for some time and have attracted wide-spread publicity.

This is a rare treat for the people of Decatur so mark the date Friday March 3, and plan to be there.

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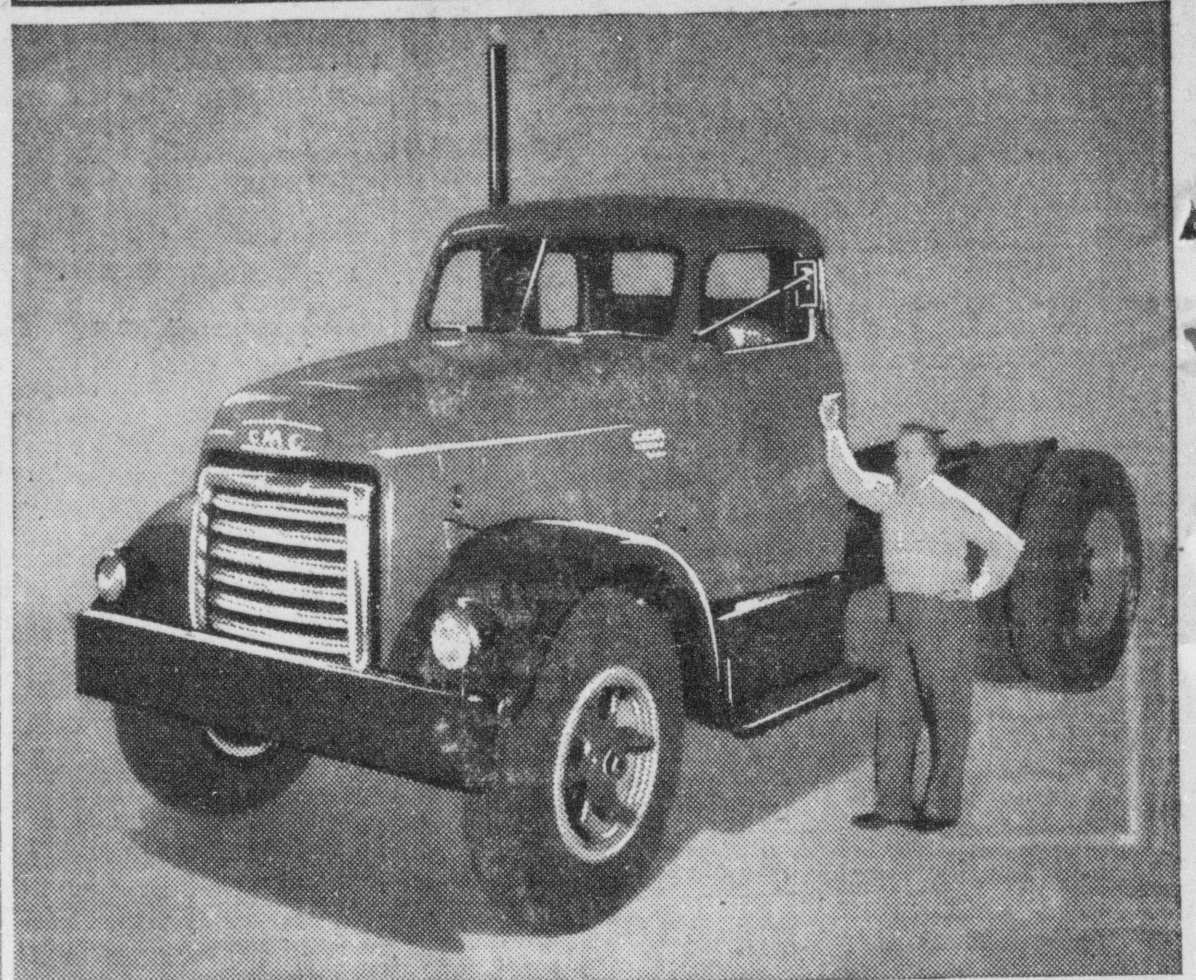
Admission of undesirable aliens is being encouraged under the Displaced Persons Act, Commander Carl Ramsey of V. F. W. Post 6321 charged today.

Deploing the flimsy check on DP's, he cited the danger to our National welfare inherent in lax investigations.

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lius of Fort Worth. He is also survived by three brothers, who are Oliver Bowden of Bridgeport, Roscoe Bowden of Hope, Arkansas, and Carl Bowden of Alvord. Funeral services were

held at the Fundamentalist Baptist Church in Decatur, Sunday January 22nd, at two p. m. Conducted by pastor Rev. Jack Powers, and Rev Willard Bewley.

Interment was made in Lone Star Cemetery with 8 Nephews

as Pall Bearers, they are Donald and Lester Neighbors of Decatur, James and Bob Hinton, of Chico, Sam Arnold and J. W. Kerley of Cordell, Okla., Joe Musgrove of Lawton, Okla., and Dennis Cooper of Muskogee, Okla.

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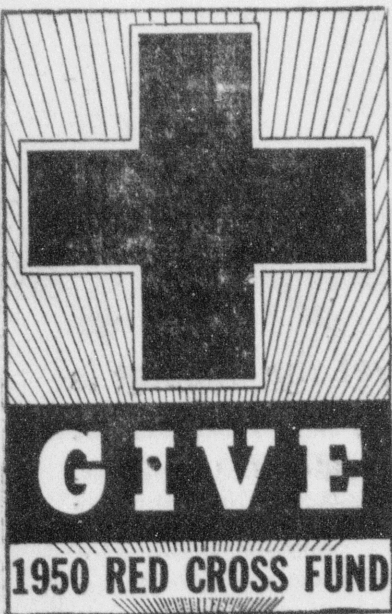
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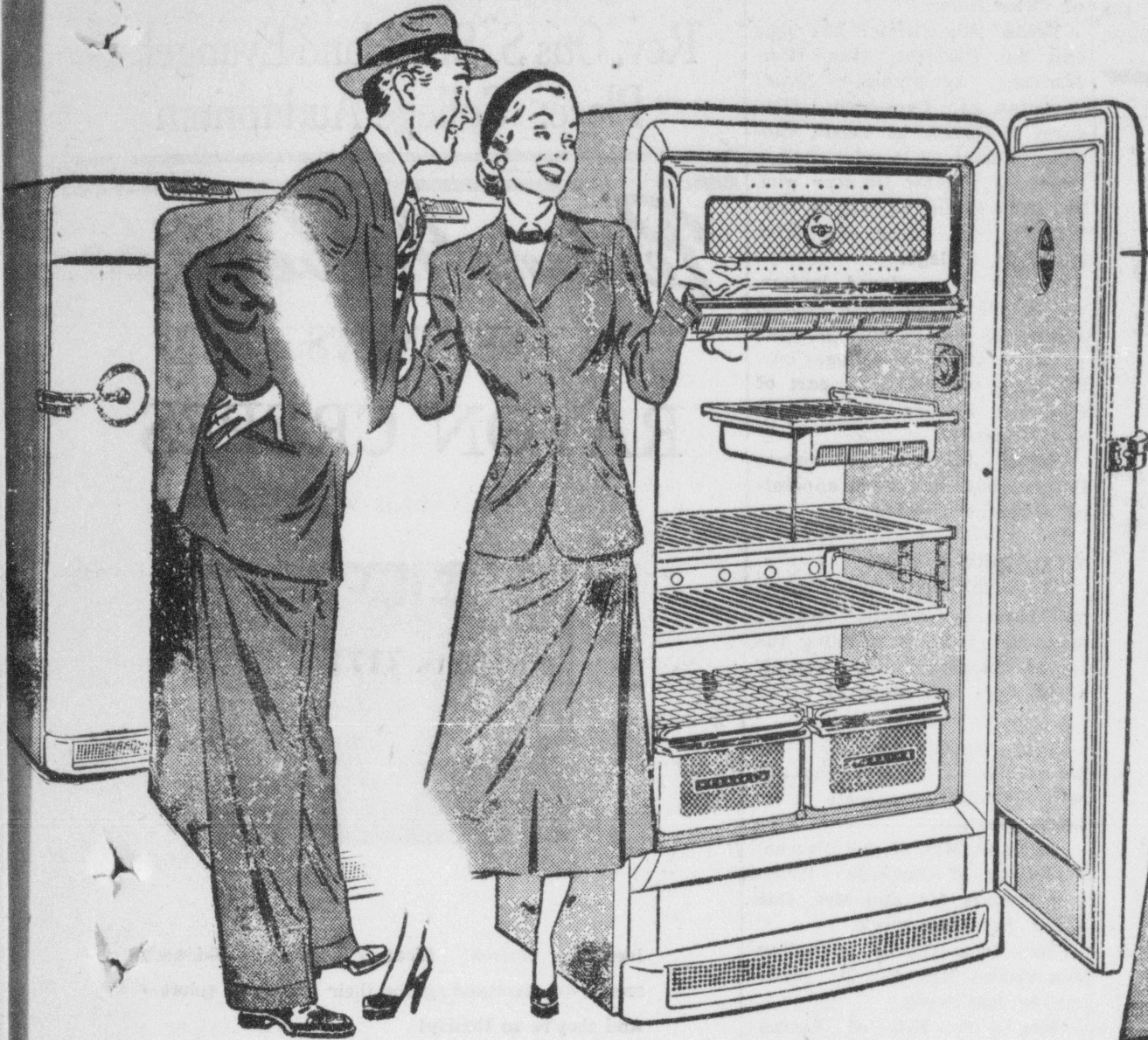
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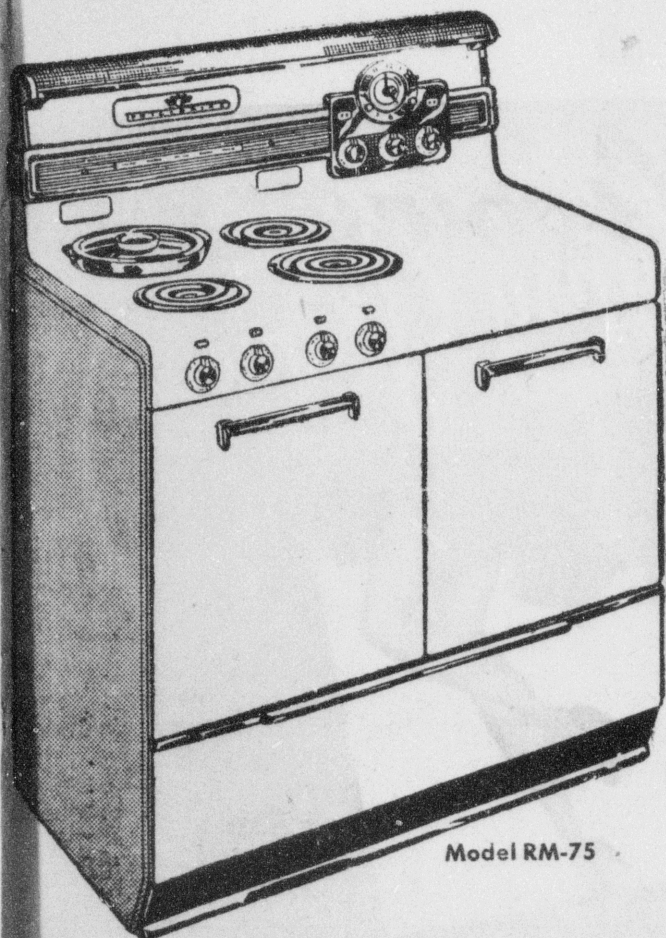
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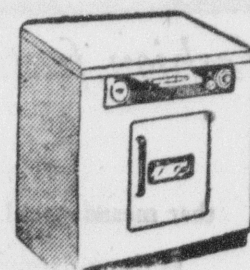
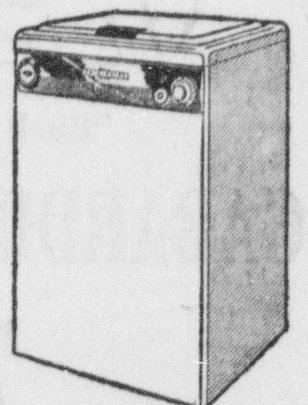
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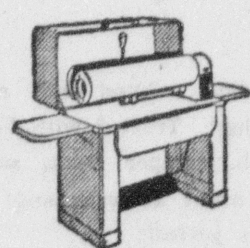
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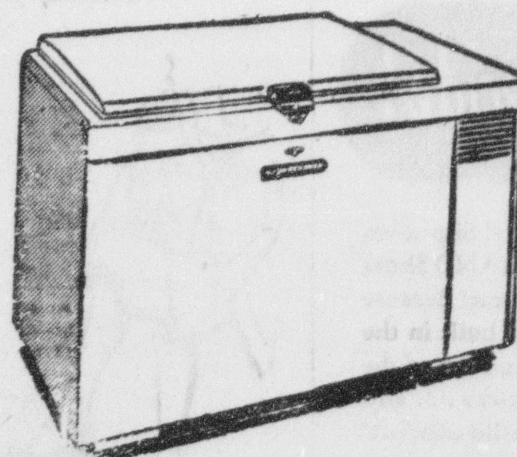
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Garden Club Is Entertained

Mrs. J. B. Townsley was hostess to the Garden Club Wednesday February 22 at her beautiful new home west of Decatur.

The guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Townsley and her sister Mrs. John Graham, after which they were invited into the spacious dining room where Mrs. W. A. Hughes Jr. and Mrs. H. M. Helm, Jr. dressed in Martha Washington costumes, served punch and cake. Patriotic decorations were used on the dining table, which was centered with a white carnation arrangement flanked by silver candelabra with red tapers. Silver and cut glass appointments were used throughout.

The angel squares were individually iced and topped with a fresh cherry and a small red hatchet with Feb. 22 inscribed.

In the absence of the president Mrs. R. H. Watkins, Mrs. C. W. Ferguson, junior president of the club, presided over the meeting, and introduced the out of town guest.

Following the business of the meeting, Miss Kathleen Brown brought an interesting and informative talk on "The Life of George Washington." Mrs. T. S. Medford talked on "Current Gardening." Following her talk

a round table discussion was held on what and how to plant at this particular time.

Mrs. Syl Harwick, Chairman of the Pilgrimage Committee, reported that the club will soon be making a pilgrimage to Weatherford to again view the Chandor Garden which will be open to the public some time in March.

A trip to Naches Mississippi to see the Azalia Trail is being discussed. Friends from Gainesville were guests of Mrs. Townsley, they were: Mrs. R. D. Clack, Mrs. Lois Jones and Mrs. A. Baker.

Mark Littleton of Weatherford was here Thursday in the interest of the Alex Warren Memorials. Mrs. C. W. Ferguson is the local representative.

BIRTH

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Staderman of New York, announces the birth of a daughter Barbara Jean, on Saturday February 19, 1950 in New York. The infant weighed seven and one half pounds. The mother is the former Lela Mae Kincaid. Grand parents are Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kincaid of Decatur and Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Staderman of Freeport, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Milligan were in Dallas on business Monday.

★ - **CLUBS** - ★

Owl Club to Choose First Lady In Decatur

A committee from the owl Club met Wednesday Feb. 22, at the home of Mrs. T. G. Rogers, to draft plans for the selection of the "First Lady Citizen of Decatur." This is a new project for the Owl Club and they are interested in stirring the interest of all the thinking people in town in the selection of this outstanding person.

The meeting was in the form of a luncheon, the table was laid with pastel pink linen and a center arrangement of pink snapdragons in a cut glass bowl. Pink tapers in cut glass

holders were a part of the table arrangement. The hostess presented Mrs. Ray Watkins President of the club, with a dainty corsage of pink rosebuds.

The following attended: Mesdames, Ray Watkins, Floyd Clifton, George Gage, W. C. Milligan, C. W. Ferguson, and the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Hague and Mr. and Mrs. Dewayne Estep of Wichita Falls were here Saturday at the bedside of Mrs. J. H. Morell. Mrs. Hague remained to nurse her grand-daughter.

W. B. Woodruff spent the week end here with his family.

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DBC SPEECH CLASS TO PRESENT PLAY

"MISS JIMMY"

The cast headed by Jackie Burton and Billy Wheeler of the three-act farce, "Miss Jimmy," which is to be presented by the speech department of Decatur Baptist College at the College auditorium on April 6, 1950 was announced today by Mrs. H. E. Kincaid, head of the speech department.

The leading role of Louise has been assigned to Jackie Burton, voted college favorite for 1949-50. Billy Wheeler, a popular young man on the campus, has been cast in the part of Jimmy, whose adventures serve as the basis of the plot of "Miss Jimmy."

Nelda Fitzpatrick has been cast as Florence, the wise-cracking roommate, Nancy Christian as Catherine, Margaret McQuerry as Doris, Jonita Palmour as Harriet, Bettye Dodds, a popular Decatur girl, has been given the role of Miss Watkins, the dean of Brier Mountain College.

Droopy, the colored janitor, will be played by Hugh Hamm, a prankish college boy. Douglas Vines, a dignified college boy, has been cast for the part of Professor Frazier who has an English accent.

Ralph Mann, a well known Decatur boy, has been appointed assistant director.

WIN SECOND TIME

The high school girls basketball team is district champs again this year, by winning the second game of the playoff series here last night 41 to 33.

Mrs. Novia Goodger has leased Fayes' beauty shop and will continue to operate in the same location.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Paschall and baby of Cleburne visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Odie Boyd here last week.

Mrs. Irma Combs of Arlington visited Mrs. B. M. Shoemaker last week.

Mrs. J. B. Hill of Springtown spent the week end with Dr. and Mrs. Prunty.

Mrs. Jack Moss of Tuscaloosa, Ala., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cates.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Elwyn Scott honored her son Mike, with a party at her home on Monday Feb. 20. The occasion being his first birthday.

After an hour of pay refreshments were served from a table decorated with nursery motifs in keeping with the occasion.

Those present were: Judy Ann Burrell, Vicky Bronson, Carolyn Sue Renshaw, Ted Davis Mike Carter, Betty Floyd, Becky Jameson, Frank Thornton, Carroll Beth Floyd, Sue Ann Greer, Nancy Auvenshine, Stephen Wren, Pat Scott and the host.

Many happy returns of the Day Mike.

Mrs. Henry Lewis, Miss Bell Ford and Mrs. J. L. Waggoner were Fort Worth visitors Wednesday.

DBC YOUTH REVIVAL



Rev. Otis S. Strickland Evangelist
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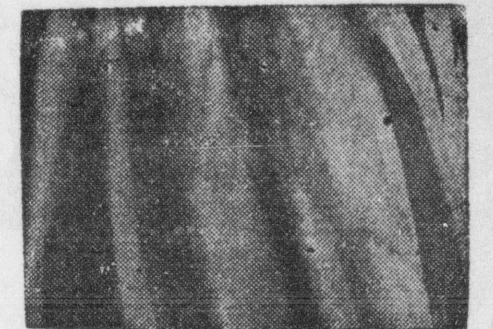
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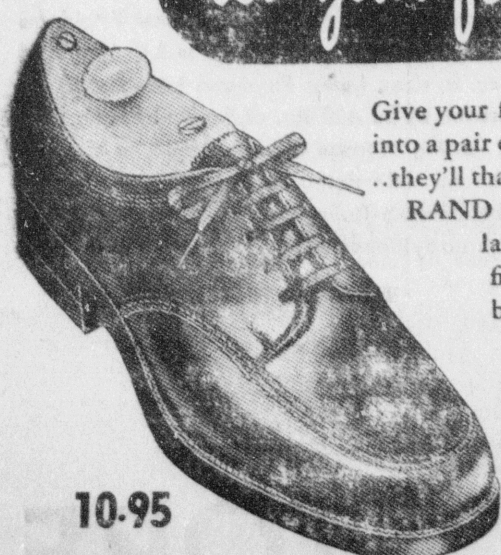
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